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NOTES ON THE SPENS (SPENCE) FAMILY OF SCOTLAND
AND THE SPENCE (SPENCER) FAMILY OF WOODBRIDGE, N.J.

By John Insley Coddington, Washington, D.C.

The Spens family is of great antiquity in the county of Fife in Scotland, the principal branch of the family being seated at Lathallan in that county since the reign of Alexander III, King of Scots (who died 19 March 1285/6). Accounts of this family will be found in Rev. Walter Wood, The East Neuk of Fife (Edinburgh, 1881), pp. 260-270, as well as in the various editions of Burke's Landed Gentry. Junior branches of the family were seated at Wormiston, Condle and Craigsanquhar, co. Fife, Boddam, co. Aberdeen, Kilspindy, co. Perth, and in the Shetland Islands. Biographic sketches of the more important members of the Spens family will be found in the Dictionary of National Biography. Among these important men were Thomas de Spens, Scottish diplomat and adviser to Kings James II and III, who became successively Bishop of Galloway and of Aberdeen; Sir Patrick Spens or Spence, hero of the old Scots ballad bearing his name; and Sir James Spens, born about 1571, died 1632, Scottish diplomat and adventurer, who was knighted by King James VI and I in 1612 and made his ambassador to King Gustavus Adolphus of Sweden the same year, became a Swedish subject and was created Friherre Spens on 28 April 1628, and was buried in the great Riddarholmskyrkan in Stockholm. This last man is the ancestor of the Barons and Counts Spens of Sweden (see Gustaf Magnus Elgenstierna, Den Introducerade Svenska Adeln, Stockholm, 1925 ff., vol. 7, pp. 428-436).

A number of the Spenses settled at various times in Edinburgh and other towns of eastern Scotland, where their surname was often spelled Spence, and where they engaged in various trades.

In the mid-seventeenth century, a certain JAMES SPENCE, merchant, lived at Queensferry, co. Linlithgow, which is situated on the south shore of the Firth of Forth, nine miles west of Edinburgh, eight miles east of the town of Linlithgow, and opposite North Queensferry, co. Fife. Nothing is known of the ancestry or background of this James Spence, and no hint has yet

been found concerning his relationship to the Spens family of Fifeshire. Moreover, the dates of his birth and death and the name of his wife are likewise unknown. The existing Parish Registers of Queensferry have been examined at the Registrar-General's Office in Edinburgh, but they are in extremely bad condition and are for the most part illegible. Only one Spence entry was found, and it did not pertain to James Spence:

1649/50, March 3: George Spence had a son baptised named John. Witnesses: Samuel Wilson (?), Robert Darling (?).

In fact, the only things known about James Spence of Queensferry are that he was the grantor of a discharge at Queensferry on 10 August 1667 (Record Office, Scotland, Register of Deeds, 1667, Index No. 6, vol. 7, p. 396), and that he was definitely the father of two daughters who emigrated from Scotland, intending to settle in New Jersey, one of whom died during the voyage and the other of whom reached her destination. These young women are referred to in New Jersey records as "daughters of James Spence of Queensferry." It is possible that James Spence had other children, but of this there is no proof, and no will or administration is on file in the Commissariat of Edinburgh, which is where it should be if it existed.

Known children of James Spence (order of birth conjectural):

- i. Margaret, probably the elder; see below.
- ii. Christian, b. about 1661; see below.

Margaret Spence (above) married before September 1685 to John Vernor or Verner of Dathvick, Scotland. "Young Mr. John Vernor," son of Gavin Vernor of Mor-toun, was challenged for attending Presbyterian conventicles early in 1670 (these conventicles having been banned by the Scottish Parliament in 1661 at the behest of the restored King Charles II). On 23 June 1670, he was arrested, tried, and condemned to lie in irons and to be fed on bread and water for refusing to divulge the names of other Presbyterians who had attended conventicles (Robert Wodrow, The History of the Sufferings of the Church of Scotland, 4 vols., Edinburgh, 1721-2, vol. 2, pp. 158-9). John Vernor and his wife suffered other persecutions, and finally, being among those who refused to take the "Oath of Abjuration" on 17 Aug. 1685, they and others who were like-minded determined to sail for New Jersey and live in a freer atmosphere. Unhappily, they sailed on 5 Sept. 1685 on board an ill-fated ship, the Henry and Francis, 350 tons, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, Captain Richard Hutton, and 34 of the passengers died during the Atlantic crossing, including

both Mr. and Mrs. Vernor [Wodrow, *op. cit.*, vol. 4, pp. 331-5]. John Vernor evidently died before his wife, for "Margaret Spence, widow of John Verner of Dathvick and daughter of James Spence of Queensferry" made her will on board the Henry and Francis on 1 Nov. 1685. She was evidently childless, for she made her sister Christian Spence her sole heiress. Letters of administration on this estate were granted at Perth Amboy, N.J., four years later (11 Aug. 1689) to James² Clarkson, who meanwhile had married Christian Spence [N.J. Archives, 1st Series, vol. 21, pp. 125, 128].

Christian Spence (above), born about 1661, if the inscription on her tombstone be correct; died at Woodbridge, N.J., 2 Nov. 1715, "aged 54 years" according to her gravestone in the Presbyterian Churchyard, Woodbridge. She may, or may not, have been the Christian Spence to whom the following refers: "Christian Spence, Sarah Spence and Janet Smith being these two moneths prisoners upon the account of their being at Torwood conventicle [in co. Stirling], it is the opinion of the Committy that, in regard of their bygone imprisonment and poverty and ignorance, they be liberat, certifying them, if hereafter they be found guilty of conventicles, they shall be scourged." [Register of the Privy Council of Scotland, 3rd Series, vol. 6 (1678-1680), p. 602]. The date of this decision was 9 Dec. 1680. In any event, Christian Spence, like her sister Margaret and brother-in-law John Vernor, belonged to the group of Scottish Presbyterians who insisted on worshipping in "conventicles" rather than in the established Episcopal Church, and who therefore preferred emigration to the New World to existence in Scotland under the religious persecution that marred the reigns of Charles II and James VII and II. Christian accompanied her sister and brother-in-law on the Henry and Francis in 1685. On board that ship on 24 Nov. 1685, "Mistris Eupham Scott, daughter of George Scott of Pitlochrie, deceased" (one of the principal passengers on the Henry and Francis) gave Christian Spence a receipt for the passage money paid by John Vernor for four persons to East Jersey [N.J. Archives, 1st Series, vol. 21, p. 125]. The four persons must have been Mr. and Mrs. Vernor, Christian Spence, and a fourth person, possibly a servant. The surviving passengers landed at Perth Amboy, N.J., in mid-December 1685.

Christian Spence married in New Jersey, probably early in 1687, a fellow-refugee from Scotland whose home at Linlithgow was only eight miles from her home at Queensferry. He was James² Clarkson (originally Clerkson), of Woodbridge, N.J., who was baptized at Linlithgow 8 Nov. 1666, son of James¹ Clarkson or Clerk-

son and Agnes Collen his wife. James¹ Clarkson, his wife Agnes and son James² all suffered persecution in Scotland for their Presbyterian beliefs, and came from Scotland to America in the spring of 1685, settling at Woodbridge, where James² Clarkson, known variously as "yeoman" and "boatman," died 30 Dec. 1729, "in the 67th year of his age" according to his gravestone in Woodbridge Presbyterian Churchyard, though he was actually only 63. His will, dated 13 June 1723, was proved 5 Jan. 1729/30 [N.J. Archives, 1st Series, vol. 23, Abstracts of Wills, vol. 1, pp. 97-8]. James² and Christian (Spence) Clarkson had four known children. See John Insley Coddington, "Clarkson-Coddington-Gilman Bible Records, Together with a Pedigree of Some of the Descendants of James¹ Clarkson or Clerkson of Carstairs and Linlithgow, Scotland, and Woodbridge, N.J...." in The Genealogical Magazine of New Jersey, vol. 21, pp. 17-21.

Possible children of James Spence:

- i. Sarah, arrested together with Christian Spence for attending Torwood conventicle, co. Stirling, in 1680. If the Christian Spence of this arrest is identical with the daughter of James Spence of Queensferry, then Sarah Spence may have been another daughter of James Spence.
- ii. Alexander, of Queensferry, seaman, came on the ship Dragon (George Dundas, skipper) from Rotterdam to Queensferry, 8 Oct. 1686 (Register of the Privy Council of Scotland, 3rd Series, vol. 12 (1686), p. 482).

RICHARD SPENCE OR SPENCER

By John Insley Coddington and Donald Lines Jacobus

Richard¹ Spence or Spencer, a native of Scotland who settled at Woodbridge, N.J., by 1696, was presumably named Spence originally, although his name appears in New Jersey records both as Spence and Spencer, and his descendants were known as Spencer. He may have been a kinsman of James Spence of Queensferry and of the latter's daughter, Christian (Spence) Clarkson, who also settled at Woodbridge, but the degree of kinship, if any, is not known. On 18 Dec. 1696, "John Robinson and Richard Spencer of Woodbridge, Scotchman, bought a houselet of 10 acres on Haines Hill in Woodbridge from John Jaquish of that place, and on 23 Feb. 1696/7 Richard Spence of Woodbridge bought 14 acres in Elizabethtown from Alexander Scott and his wife Hellener of that place [N.J. Archives, 1st Series, vol. 21, p. 267].

The earlier New Jersey deeds were recorded by county at Trenton, N.J., and are found in the Office of the Secretary of State. The above deed from Jaquish is found there in the Middlesex County Deeds, vol. F, p. 365. In vol. C, p. 152, two deeds are recorded. The first is one dated 18 Nov. 1701 from John "Robeson" of Woodbridge, glover, with wife Susannah (her mark), to William Spence of Woodbridge, weaver. The other, dated 20 Nov. 1701, is from Richard Spencer of Woodbridge, yeoman, of two parcels of land to his eldest son, William Spencer of Woodbridge, weaver.

It is thus seen that the son William was the chief heir of his father, and acquired all his land by deed, in addition to purchasing the other half of the land which his father and John Robinson had bought jointly. Probably Richard portioned off his other children in a small way, so far as he was able to do so, or left it to his eldest son William to provide for them. In any event, Richard left no estate to go through probate, and most of our knowledge of his other children is derived from the will of William (see below), who died without surviving issue.

Children, order of birth uncertain except for the eldest:

- i. William², b. by 1680, indicated by the deeds (above) of 1701, at which date he must have been of age; see below.
- ii. John, see below.
- iii. Joseph, see below.
- iv. Mary, said to have been b. ca. 1695; m. by 1715 Thomas Force of Woodbridge, b. at Wrentham, Mass., 28 July 1693 (Wrentham V.R.; Orta E. Monnette, *First Settlers of Piscataway and Woodbridge*, p. 824, errs in stating that he was b. 13 Sept. 1693), son of Benjamin and Elizabeth Force. He d. at Woodbridge or Rahway, N.J., shortly before 5 June 1736, when letters of administration were issued to his widow Mary (N.J. Archives, 1st Series, vol. 30, p. 182, and Monnette, *supra*). They had children; some of those given in Monnette's list are proved, others require further study and verification.

William² Spencer or Spence, a weaver, eldest son and chief heir of Richard Spence, born 1680 or earlier, died at Woodbridge, N.J., prior to 22 Jan. 1743 (probate of will); married first, about 1702, Elizabeth² Elston, daughter of John¹ Elston of Woodbridge; married second, after 13 Jan. 1725/6, Agnes² (Hude) Lee, born at Woodbridge in Oct. 1689, died there in Dec. 1749, daughter of Adam¹ and Mary Hude (also Scottish settlers) and widow of John Lee, all of Woodbridge (Monnette, *op. cit.*, pp. 256, 269, 1189, 1224; will of John Lee, dated 27 Dec. 1720, proved 13 Jan. 1725/6, N.J. Archives,

1st Series, vol. 23, p. 288].

He was on a petit jury in Woodbridge, 1710 [Monnette, p. 539]; administrator of his brother John's estate, 22 Jan. 1716/17 [see below]; and Constable of Woodbridge, 1721 [Monnette, p. 544]. For his first wife's family, see James Strode Elston, The Elston Family in America, 1942, pp. 39, 47.

The Spencer probate records are not well abstracted in the printed N.J. Archives, and we have had the files examined in Trenton. References hereafter given for such probate are to the files of Middlesex County Probate in the Office of the Secretary of State.

The will of William Spencer [1537-1536L] of Woodbridge, weaver, dated 1 Sept. 1738, recorded 22 Jan. 1743, was signed by mark.

"I doe will Give and Bequeath unto my Dear & loveing wiff Agnnas Spencer all that wholl Estate both Real & personall...whill she shall Live & continue to be my widow & after her deceas or widow hood I doe will & dispose on the same as followeth here after"

He then divides his lands between "Spencer Elston my first wiff Elizeabeths brothers son" and "my son in law [stepson] Abraham Lee youngest son of my now wiff." To Elston he gave 34 acres with buildings and to Lee the other part (40 acres) "of my farm where on I now doe Live," and to each an equal part of his salt meadows "lying on Raway medows." His movable estate was to pay the mortgage debt on the land. If either Elston or Lee should die under 21, the land was to be sold and distribution made to the residuary legatees.

"I doe give & bequeath unto John Spencer as he is called son of my deceased brothers Joseph Spencers first wife five shillings and the reason I give him no more is because my sd brother Joseph never owned him sd John Spencer but ever denied all his lifytyme.

"I doe will & bequeath unto the hearin after named Relations...after my wife Agnnas Spencer her deceas what then remains...be equally shared divided & parted into eleven equal shares & parts that John Spencer son of my brother John Spencer, John Spencer son of my brother Joseph Spencer, henry force, samuel force, charles force & Thomas force sons of my sister widow to Thomas force deceased, william Elston Abraham Elston Samuel Elston sons of brother in law william Elston my first wiffs brother his sons & Mary Lee my daughter in law eldest daughter of my present wiff Agnnas to have two equal shares & parts of the eleven parts....my Loveing & trusty frend Samuel Jacques my neighbor & my Loveing wiff Agnnas to be my Executors...."

The witnesses were Thomas Edgar, Jonathan Frazee and Janett Edgar, of whom the first two appeared and made acknowledgment on 22 Jan. 1743.

We see from the foregoing will that William Spencer's brother John left a son John, also that his brother Joseph left a doubtful son John (by his first wife) whom Joseph never acknowledged to be his son. In fact, as we shall see when we come to the will of Joseph, Joseph likewise cut him off with five shillings, and without calling him his son; the printed abstract of Joseph's will errs in placing him among those called children by Joseph.

The mysterious thing is that William, after cutting off John the doubtful son of Joseph with five shillings and explaining why he gives him "no more," then includes John son of Joseph (calling him that, though in the previous clause he was careful not to term him son of Joseph) among the residuary legatees. We must also note that Joseph, the acknowledged son of William's brother Joseph, is not named at all, even to explain why he got nothing. This is inexplicable after the care William took to avoid a possible contest by giving five shillings to Joseph's putative son John. We cannot escape the conviction that in the residuary clause Joseph and not John son of Joseph was actually intended, and that an error was made by the scribe who wrote out the will. If William was unable to read, as well as write, the mistake may not have been caught until after his death. Actually, the legatees under the remainder clause took nothing, since the widow survived for six years, and the two chief legatees attained their majority. In consequence, the real estate went out of the Spencer family and the next two or three generations had little property.

Agnes Spencer, widow and relict of William Spencer, late of Woodbridge, deceased, made her will 9 Dec. 1749 and it was recorded 29 Dec. 1749 [File 2221-2222L]. She mentioned interest due from Mary Force, widow of Thomas Force, but otherwise failed to mention relatives of her Spencer husband. She mentioned her four children, and gave legacies to her eldest son John Lee, son Abraham Lee, daughters Agnes wife of John Burrell and Martha wife of Abraham Elston, and grandsons Adam, Alexander and Robert Lee.

Child of William Spencer by first wife:

1. William³, b. at Woodbridge, 12 May 1703; d. young.

John² Spencer, probably the second son of Richard¹, has left little record of himself, and his wife remains unidentified. He died, a young man, before 15 July 1715, when an inventory of his estate was taken by Benjamin Force and Richard Skinner; an accounting was made 22 Jan. 1/16/17 by William Spence "of the Debts and Accounts of my Brother John Spence Deceased" [File 141-

144L]. This is perhaps the latest date on which the family name was spelled Spence in records.

He had at least one child, proved by the will of William² Spencer:

- i. John³, b. in or not long before 1715, the year his father died. We take him to be the "John Spencer late of Woodbridge, mariner, deceased," on whose estate Gershom Conger and George Morris gave bond as administrators 10 Jan. 1743 (File 1535-1536L; 1541-1546L). The date is probably 1743/4, as the inventory was taken 13 Jan. 1743/4. There are a number of papers in the file, but none which mentions a widow, child or other relative. Presumably he was unmarried. The printed abstract of the estate, based apparently on the record volume, calls Gershom Conger his brother and George Morris "his" (Conger's?) brother-in-law. Gershom² Conger was b. at Woodbridge in the spring of 1711, seventeenth and youngest child of John¹ Belconger (later Conger) of Great Yarmouth, co. Norfolk, Newbury, Mass., and Woodbridge, N.J., and tenth child of his second wife, Sarah —.

It seems unlikely that John³ Spencer could have been half-brother of Gershom Conger, whose mother Sarah, after having ten Conger children, would seem too old to have married John² Spencer. It seems much more probable that Gershom Conger's first wife was a daughter of John² Spencer; Gershom later m. Mary, widow of Bohraim Green of Somerset Co., N.J.

Joseph² Spencer, probably the youngest son of Richard¹, may have been born around 1690, and died at Woodbridge, N.J., in or not long before September, 1738.

The will of Joseph Spencer, yeoman, of Woodbridge [File 1119-1120L], was dated 28 June 1731, and reads:

"Item. I give and Bequeath unto Elizabeth my Dearly beloved wife all my Moveables, she paying ye Debts, and ye Benefit off liveing upon ye same place During my Widdow.

"Item. I Give and Bequeath To my well beloved son Joseph Spencer whom I likel[?], Constitute, make and Ordain my only Sole Heir, of this my last will and Testament, all and Singular the Lands Messuages and Tenements To him, his Heirs and Assigns Forever He paying to the Each of his Three Sisters Margaret Katherine and Elezabeth ye Just sum of Six Pounds Currant Lawfull money of new Jersey to be paid To Each of Them when They come To be at ye Age of Eighteen years old.

"Item. It is my will and Pleasure and I do Order and Bequeath unto John Spencer ye Sum of Five shillings as a Full Acquittance To be paid To him when he Comes To ye years of Twenty one and I Do Hereby utterly Disallowe Revoke all and every other Former Testaments, Wills, Legacies and Executors....."

The will was witnessed by Nathaniel Stilwell, Joseph Webster and Samuel Dean; of whom Webster appeared and made acknowledgment 23 Sept. 1738, and Stilwell on 18 June 1739.

Since John³ was under 21 when Joseph² made his will in 1731, he was born after 1710, and we place his birth at a guess as about 1715. All four of the children of Joseph by his second wife were obviously minors, and we therefore place Joseph³ as born around 1720-25.

Child of the first unknown wife of Joseph² Spencer:

- i. John³, b. at a guess ca. 1715.

Children of Joseph² and Elizabeth (—) Spencer:

- i. Joseph³, b. at a guess 1720-25.
- ii. Margaret.
- iii. Katharine.
- iv. Elizabeth.

We can give no history at all of Joseph³ Spencer. Unless he was born before 1718, it must have been the estate of his father which was meant when Joseph Spencer was listed as a debtor to the estate of John Balm of Elizabethtown and Rahway 23 July 1739 [N.J. Archives, 1st Series, vol. 30, p. 35]. A Joseph Spencer is found in Revolutionary War Rolls in Capt. Morgan's Co., 2nd Regt., Middlesex [William S. Stryker, Official Register of the Officers and Men of New Jersey in the Revolutionary War, 1872, p. 764]. While conceivably this could be Joseph³, it seems more likely that it was a Joseph⁴, son of John³ or Joseph³. It seems possible, in view of lack of mention in Middlesex County records, that Joseph³ removed from this region.

Attention is directed to the names Joseph Spensor and Mathias Spensor as serving in the 3rd Regt., New York Line [James A. Roberts, New York in the Revolution, 1898, p. 45]. This Matthias, of Poughkeepsie, Dutchess Co., N.Y., in his pension application, stated that he was born in Elizabethtown, N.J., in 1755. Elizabethtown is near Woodbridge, and Matthias has not been identified. We suggest this as a clue to the history of Joseph³ Spencer.

Some records are found which seem to relate to John³ Spencer. Liber B of Woodbridge Town Records contains unindexed earmarks for the branding of cattle. On 22 Jan. 1741/2, "John Spencer made entry of his Ear marke which is two half peneys on y^e under side of the Left Ear." The only other Spencer earmark found was that of "Willm Spencer" on 23 Nov. 1766, and from the date he could conceivably have been a son of John³. John Spencer is on the list of freeholders of Middlesex County

in 1752. We have found no purchase of land recorded, but John Spencer did acquire 30 acres or more, and on 1 Dec. 1768 he mortgaged to David Edgar, on 7 June 1769 to Solomon Hunt, and on 4 Jan. 1771 to William Edgar and Isaac Laing, this third deed being signed also (by mark) by his wife Rebecca [Middlesex County Mortgages, at New Brunswick, N.J., 1766-1922, vol. 1, pp. 138, 164, 225]. Since there are no notations of discharge or release, no sales of the land, and no probate, it is possible that John Spencer became financially embarrassed and that the mortgages were foreclosed.

Although John Spencer had a wife Rebecca in 1771, he may have had a second wife Hannah. For under date of "Middlesex, April 26, 1782," one John Spencer, very probably the same, advertised that he would not be responsible for debts contracted by his wife Hannah. In the mortgage records, John was of Woodbridge, yeoman, and his land was in that town; and since no other Spencer of his generation is mentioned in the records consulted, it seems likely that John³ Spencer, perhaps by his earlier wife Rebecca, was father of such Spencers as are found in this region in the next generation, but that conclusion remains to be proved.

Note: Mr. Coddington collected data on Richard Spence or Spencer and his children in connection with his work on the family of Christian (Spence) Clarkson. At his suggestion, Mr. Jacobus has added some later data collected in behalf of Mrs. R. L. Hill of Logan, Utah, to whom acknowledgment is made. Mrs. Hill will welcome any data relating to the parentage and family of Joshua Spencer of Woodbridge, N.J., born perhaps about 1760, who has not been definitely tied to the earlier Spencers of Woodbridge. We are indebted to Charles Carroll Gardner, Esq., of Madison, N.J., for helpful advice and a few important items of information.

WILLIAM HERBERT WOOD

Although this issue of the magazine will not be distributed until several months after the event, it provides my first opportunity to express my deep sense of personal loss in the sudden death at New Haven, on 23 February 1953, of a heart ailment, of William Herbert Wood. For many years he was associated with me off and on in the handling of genealogical research commissions, and he did most of the actual compilation work in the preparation of Volumes 7 and 8 of Bowen's History of Woodstock. Few if any surpassed him in his grasp of genealogical methods. In his private work he would often become so interested in the problem he was engaged to solve that he would donate time far beyond the monetary reward involved. He was long a Contributing Editor of this quarterly.

Those who were privileged to know him personally will always remember his great kindness and his devotion to his friends.

PHILIP OSWALD, OF NEW YORK
ANCESTOR OF EUROPEAN NOBLE AND ROYAL HOUSES

By Milton Rubincam, F.A.S.G.
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On the 3rd day of December 1767, in New York City, a couple named Philip Oswald and Catharine Hone were united in marriage. The world of 1767 was very different from our modern world on that winter's day when the young German baker took the 20-year-old girl as his bride. King George III of Great Britain was still the ruler of a segment of America. In the political hodgepodge known as the Holy Roman Empire, Joseph II was the Kaiser, although the dominant personality in the Imperial Government was his formidable mother, Kaiserin Maria Theresa. Friedrich II, the Great, was King of Prussia and Elector of Brandenburg, and all of Europe trembled at the approach of his marching legions. Count Friedrich Karl August of Lippe-Biesterfeld ruled over the territories of his insignificant little State, and in the Netherlands Prince Willem V of Orange was Stadholder. Among non-princely families a widow named Krupp was laying the foundations of a business that in the next century was to burst upon a startled world as the great armaments works at Essen, in the Ruhr Valley.

But of all these people Philip Oswald and Catharine Hone knew little and cared less on that December day which saw them united as husband and wife. How could they foresee that in more than a century and a half their family would be united with the Houses of Hanover, Habsburg, Hohenzollern, Lippe, Orange-Nassau, — and Krupp?

Philip Oswald's origin is unknown. The first record of him in New York City is a certificate dated 21 October 1765; it is signed by John Albert Weygand, Minister of the High German Reformed Congregation, who declares that Philip Oswald and seven others had received the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.¹ In May 1769 Philip Oswald and thirty others were naturalized as subjects of King George III by an Act of the General Assembly of the Province of New York,² and on 20 June following, he became a Freeman of the City of New York, being described as a baker.³

Meanwhile, on 2 December 1767, the young German received a license to marry Catharine Hone,⁴ the ceremony being performed the next day by Rev. John Siegfried Gerock, M.A., Minister of the German Lutheran Congregation of Christ-Church.⁵

In the marriage records the bride's name appears as Haan, but there can be little doubt that she was a daughter of John Hone (whose name is said to have been

Hahn originally), who married Magdalena Klotz, a widow. If so, she was a sister of Philip Hone (1743-1798), who married Hester Burdet, by whom he had numerous children, including John (1764-1832) and Philip Hone (1780-1851), Mayor of New York in 1825-26.⁶ The writer is investigating the Hone family and hopes to be able to present his findings in the not-too-distant future.

On 18 November 1772 Henry Will, pewterer, and Philip Oswald, baker, were appointed executors of the will of John Pointer, of New York, tallow chandler. The will was proved 29 December 1772.⁷ Will was probably Oswald's brother-in-law, for on 2 December 1767 a license was granted to Henry Will to marry Magdaline Haan;⁸ this was the same day that Oswald and Catharine Haan were licensed to wed.

Oswald was one of the trustees of a bequest made to the German Evangelical Lutheran Congregation of Christ Church, New York, in the will, dated 27 April 1775, of Frederick Wolfes, of New York, glazier.⁹ He was also one of the witnesses to the will of Philip Lydig, of New York, baker, on 11 August 1781.¹⁰

Philip Oswald's first land transaction was consummated on 13 April 1784, when he bought from Margaret Roosevelt, widow and "Relic" of Cornelius Roosevelt, "of the outward of the city of New York Esq^r deceased"; Abraham Duryee, of Hillstown, Somerset County, N.J., but formerly of New York City, merchant; and John De-Peyster, of said city, merchant, -executors of the last will and testament of the said Cornelius Roosevelt, the messuage, dwelling house and parcel of ground situated "in the Outward of the said City of New York at a place commonly called Fresh Water on the Southerly side of Chatham Street," etc. The sum paid to the executors of Cornelius Roosevelt was £1,130. Witnesses to the deed were Richard Morris (Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York), Cornelius C. Roosevelt, and Robert Smith.¹¹

On 30 April 1784, Elizabeth Herring, Nicholas Herring, Samuel Jones, Petrus Bogert, John De Peyster, and John Haring, executors of the will of Elbert Haring, late of New York City, deceased, sold to Philip Oswald, of New York City, baker, a messuage and lot of land on the northerly side of Maiden Lane in New York City; in length it was 79 feet and in breadth, front and rear, 39'9". The sum paid by Oswald was £1100. Jacob Hoffman and John Staples witnessed the transaction.¹²

Philip Oswald, on 3 December 1784, for the sum of £137, purchased from Isaac Stoutenburgh and Philip Van Cortlandt, Esquires, Commissioners for forfeitures of the southern district of New York State, 4 lots of land situated in "the outward of the City of New York," distinguished on the map of the estate late the property

of James Delancey Esquire, as lots nos. 291, 292, 303, and 304. This property was forfeited to the people of the State of New York by the attainder of the said James Delancey, a Loyalist. The witnesses were Pierre Van Cortlandt, Jr., and Isaac Stoutenburgh, Jr.¹³

On 1 March 1792, Oswald witnessed the will of Henry Arcularius, of New York, baker.¹⁴ Three years later (3 September 1795), he witnessed the will of Rev. John Christopher Kunze, Lutheran Minister in New York.¹⁵

This is an interesting circumstance, for Oswald's grandson, George Philip Cammann, M.D., married in 1833 Anna Catherine Lorillard, a granddaughter of Rev. John Christopher Kunze and his wife, Margaretta Henrietta, daughter of the great Patriarch of the American Lutheran Church, Rev. Henry Melchior Muhlenberg, by his wife, Anna Maria, daughter of the eminent pioneer, Conrad Weiser.¹⁶ On 20 June 1797, Oswald, with John Peter Ritter, shopkeeper, and George Janeway, brewer, became executors of the will of Frederick Westfall, of New York, yeoman. The will was proved 1 July 1797.¹⁷

Oswald's death occurred on Thursday, 21 March 1805; his age was given as 69 years.¹⁸ His widow, Catherine, died at Newark, N.J., Sunday, 22 September 1822, aged 75 years.¹⁹

Philip Oswald's will was dated 11 June 1802, and was proved 1 July 1805. He directed that his just debts and funeral expenses be paid. His wife, Catharine Oswald, during the term of her natural life, was to have the rents, issues, and profits of all the rest, residue, and remainder of his estate, both real and personal. After her death, the said estate, both real and personal, or the monies arising from the sale thereof, were to be equally divided among his daughters and their heirs, executors, administrators, etc., share and share alike, namely:

Joanna Magdalena Polen, wife of Pole Polen, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, merchant;

Maria Margaret Camman[n], wife of Charles Lewis Camman[n], of New York City, merchant; and

Elizabeth Camman[n], wife of Peter Andrew Camman[n], of New York City, merchant.

If any or either of the said daughters should die before the division of the testator's estate leaving lawful issue, such issue should inherit their shares, etc. All monies of which the testator may be possessed at his decease were to be put out at interest by his executors upon sufficient land security and that interest thereof should be paid to his said wife Catharine during the term of her natural life. After the decease of his said wife, the executors or the survivors of them were empowered to dispose of his real estate, the monies arising therefrom to be divided equally among his

three daughters. The executors of the will were his wife, Catharine Oswald; his nephew, John Hone; and his sons-in-law, Pole Polen, Charles Lewis Camman[n], and Peter Andrew Camman[n].²⁰

Philip Oswald never lost his German accent, as is shown by the fact that he called one of his sons-in-law "Pole Polen"; actually, his name was Bohl Bohlen. In five deeds dated 2 May 1825, his surviving executors, Bohl Bohlen, of the City of Philadelphia, merchant, and John Hone, of the City of New York, merchant, sold his properties. The proceeds from the sales of his lands aggregated \$87,550.²¹

We are concerned here only with the descendants of Oswald's eldest daughter, Johanna Magdalena, who married Bohl Bohlen, a young German who had settled in Philadelphia and become a well-to-do merchant with a flourishing foreign trade. It is not our intention to discuss the detailed history of the Bohlen family; the writer is preparing a comprehensive study of that line and its extraordinary international ramifications for publication in the Pennsylvania Genealogical Magazine. Our purpose here is to pick out a few of the highlights of their descendants, in the belief that they will be of interest to present-day members of the Oswald and Hone families of New York.

Bohl Bohlen and his wife, Johanna Magdalena Oswald, had two daughters, Johanna Caroline Mathilde (1800-82) and Henrietta Wilhelmina (1803-71). Mrs. Bohlen died in Amsterdam, 13 February 1805, while on a visit to the Netherlands with her husband and children.²² Bohlen subsequently married a Dutchwoman for his second wife, Anne Schimmel van Ussys,²³ and by her had three children, of whom the only surviving son was General Henry Bohlen, who fell in action at Freeman's Ford, Virginia, in 1862.

Johanna Caroline Mathilde Bohlen married Arnold Halbach, and her sister, Henrietta Wilhelmina, became the wife of his brother, George Halbach. Both were German merchants who settled in Philadelphia; their ancestry has been traced to a certain Hennes Halbecker, who witnessed a document at Lennep as early as 1424.²⁴ Arnold served as Consul in Philadelphia for the Free City of Frankfurt-an-der-Main from 1828 to 1859, and from 1830 to 1853 he served in the same capacity for the Royal Prussian Government. Some time later the Halbach brothers took their families to Germany; Arnold settled at Baden-Baden.

Arnold and Johanna Caroline Mathilde (Bohlen) Halbach had five children, all born at Philadelphia. Their son, Gustav Georg Friedrich Halbach (1831-90), who was educated at the University of Heidelberg, was elevated to the nobility of the Grand Duchy of Baden on 14 Aug-

ust 1871, and served as Grand Ducal Chamberlain and Baden's Minister-Resident at the Hague. He was a Knight of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem and Knight Commander, 2nd class, of the Order of the Lion of Zähringen (Baden). He married in 1862 his first cousin, Sophie, daughter of General Henry Bohlen, and granddaughter of Bohl Bohlen by his second wife, Anne Schimmel van Ussys. Their fifth son, Gustav Georg Friedrich von Bohlen und Halbach (1870-1950)—this was the name the father had adopted on the occasion of his rise to the noble class—was a young diplomat who made an illustrious marriage in 1906 when he took to wife Bertha Krupp, the heiress of the vast Krupp munitions works at Essen, in the Ruhr Valley. He was authorized by Kaiser Wilhelm II, who was present at the nuptials, to assume the triple-barreled name of Krupp von Bohlen und Halbach. This great-great-grandson of Philip Oswald of New York thus became the head of the great Krupp industrial empire which supplied armaments to Imperial Germany and Nazi Germany in two World Wars and ended his days in disgrace. He was indicted as a Nazi war criminal, although never brought to trial because of his senile condition; he died at Salzburg Castle, a prisoner of the American compatriots of his grandfather, General Henry Bohlen.

Mathilde Halbach (1823-48), eldest child of Arnold Halbach and Johanna Caroline Mathilde Bohlen, married at Mannheim in 1841, Count Leopold Otto Friedrich Franz von Wartensleben, by whom she had an only daughter, Countess Karoline Friederike Klothilde von Wartensleben (1844-1905). The latter married (16 September 1869) Count Ernst of Lippe-Biesterfeld, who became Regent of Lippe from 1897 to 1904, during the last years of the reign of the insane Prince of Lippe. They had five children, of whom the eldest son, Leopold, succeeded to the regency on the death of his father in 1904. On the death of the reigning Prince of Lippe in the following year a vigorous contest for the succession to the Throne was waged. It was claimed by both Leopold of Lippe-Biesterfeld and Prince Adolph of Schaumburg-Lippe, Kaiser Wilhelm II's brother-in-law. The opponents of the Lippe-Biesterfeld family argued that the marriage of the late Count Ernst's father, Wilhelm Ernst, and that of the Count-Regent Ernst himself with Countess von Wartensleben, were not *ebenbürtig* (of equal birth); in the latter connection, the Halbachs, the Bohlens, the Oswalds, and the Hones, are implied. Eventually a decision was rendered by the Court of Arbitration in favor of Lippe-Biesterfeld, and thus a great-great-grandson of Philip and Catharine (Hone) Oswald, of New York, ascended the Throne of Lippe as Prince Leopold IV.

The eldest daughter of Count Ernst of Lippe-Biester-

feld and Countess Karoline von Wartensleben was Princess Adelheid, who married (1886) Prince Friedrich of Saxe-Meiningen. Their eldest daughter, Adelheid, married Prince Adalbert of Prussia, third son of Kaiser Wilhelm II. Of their two children, the only daughter, Princess Victoria Marina, married (1947) Kirby William Patterson, of Springfield, Missouri. They have twin children, Berengar Orin Bernhard Kirby and Marina Adelaide Emily Patterson (born 21 August 1948), young Americans whose ancestry includes Kaiser Wilhelm II, Queen Victoria, and the most illustrious royal and noble families of Europe. They are also descended from Bohl Bohlen, of Philadelphia, and Philip Oswald and Catharine Hone of New York!

The elder son of Prince Friedrich of Saxe-Meiningen and Princess Adelheid of Lippe, Georg II, Duke of Saxe-Meiningen und Hildburghausen, married Countess Klara-Marie von Korff gen. Schmising-Kerssenblock; their only daughter, Princess Regina, became the wife, on 10 May 1951, of His Imperial and Royal Highness, Archduke Otto of Habsburg-Lorraine, the eldest son of the late Kaiser Karl of Austria and of his wife, Zita of Bourbon-Parma, and the heir to long lines of Holy Roman and Austrian Emperors and Hungarian Kings.

Prince Bernhard of Lippe-Biesterfeld, second son of Count Ernst of Lippe-Biesterfeld and Countess Karoline von Wartensleben, married Armgard von Cramm, and had two sons, of whom the elder, Prince Bernhard, married (7 January 1937) Her Royal Highness Crown Princess Juliana of the Netherlands, who, on the abdication of her mother, Queen Wilhelmina, in May 1948, ascended the Throne of the House of Orange-Nassau. They have four daughters; in the normal course of events, the next Queen of the Netherlands (now Princess Beatrix) will be a great-great-great-great-great-granddaughter of Philip and Catharine (Hone) Oswald, of New York.

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RANDOM NOTES CONCERNING SETTLERS
OF DUTCH DESCENT

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Jacob Gerritsen Strycker, from the small village of Ruinen in the Province of Drenthe is considered a painter of note in early New Amsterdam, and an interesting illustrated article about him has appeared in the New York Historical Society Quarterly Bulletins. However, he made a living as a tailor. He was back in Holland on 28 Dec. 1651 in the office of Not. J. de Winter when "Master Jacob Strycker tailor at the Manathans" (by "Master" is meant master of the guild) hired Jacob Gerrits from Ruinen, 21 years old, a tailor's apprentice for a period of three years, the terms being "free passage, board and bed and laundry, 9 stivers drink money a week and 100 gl. per year." The first year, this was to be paid in see want, the second year in beaver skins and the third year half and half. If he should become ill, the master is to cure him, but the time of sick leave is to be added to the contract.

[A more generous employer was Frans Barentsz Pastoor and his wife Delia Brinkman. He was a brewer at Port Orange. When they hired Elisabeth Hendriksd. from Kampen as a maid servant, they stipulated that if the climate did not agree with her they would cancel the contract.]

Jacob Strycker was still in Holland on 30 Jan. 1652 (Not. J. de Winter), for he then made a contract with Jannetje Hermans, last widow of Jan Hendriks, workman in the soap factory, "The Two Crowns," at Amsterdam, who declared that she had very little means and that she was now an old woman, 60 years old. She transferred all her possessions to her son-in-law, Jacob Strycker, who was to take her free of charge to New Netherland and to support her there.

Jacob's wife was given [N.Y. Rec. 38:5] as Ytie Huyberts (Hubrechts). As the above record calls Jannetje Hermans "last" widow of Jan Hendriks, she must have been previously married to a man named Huybert and had by him a daughter Ytie Huyberts, the wife of Jacob Strycker.

It should be pointed out that Bergen [KingsCo] mixes two persons named Agnetje Strycker. One of these was from Dwingelo (near Ruinen) and was Jacob's sister [NYRec 74:62; HSYB 1900:115]. The other was daughter of Jan Strycker, Jacob's brother. Finally, the statement published in some genealogies that the brothers Strycker received in Jan. 1643 from the States General

a land grant to found a colony in New Netherland on condition that they send over twelve settlers within a stipulated period, is not supported by any evidence. Such grants were made by the West India Company, mainly to rich merchants, important directors of the Company, and not to a tailor from a small village in Drente.

When trading with New Netherland was opened up by license from the West India Company, several groups of Dutch merchants combined to equip ships and supply merchandise for voyages to the New World. They appointed representatives at Manhattan and Fort Orange, a *commies* or *factoor* as they were called, to sell the merchandise and to secure a suitable cargo, "*cargascen*," for the return voyage. In several instances we find that some of the merchants themselves had taken up a temporary residence in New Netherland. I mentioned [NYRec 65:254] the three members of a van Hardenberg family who were prominent traders at Manhattan but who all returned to Patria.

Another important merchant and shipmaster who lived for some time at New Amsterdam was Adriaen Blommaert. He was in all probability a son or at least a near relative of Samuel Blommaert, a partner of Kiliaen van Rensselaer and also a director of the West India Company. Samuel's wife was Margrieta Reynst, the widow of Adam Bessels, the latter having also had a share in Rensselaerswyck. One of Samuel's children was Barbara Blommaert, married to Wolter Peltzer. The children of Margrieta by her first husband were Jacomo and Gerardo Bessels [9 Apr. 1657, Not. J. v.d. Ven].

Adriaen Blommaert was from Maaslands-luis [Maassluis] near Rotterdam on the Meuse River. His wife was Helena Jacobs Swanevelt [NYRec, 9:41]. They made a will before Not. de Winter at Amsterdam on 1 Jan. 1652 when he was on the point of sailing for New Netherland. They were living at Amsterdam on the Brouwerstraat in the house "In the Sign of the Boomgaert in Nieuw Nederland" (The Orchard in New Netherland), which she had inherited from her former husband, Joost van den Boogaert—there was a person by that name in the early days in Brazil,—who either had taken his name from his house or had given his name to the house, both common customs in that period [2 May 1652, Not. H. Schaeff]. Such house signs were often the inspiration for a coat-of-arms.

When sailing for New Netherland in 1652, he was skipper of 't Hoff van Cleeff. Going over with the Blommaerts was Marietje Symons, a servant girl hired for three years. Also on board were three farm hands for Governor Stuyvesant: Willem Jansz from Heerde (he married Brooklyn, 1662, Metje Bastiaens from Werckhove); Harmen Harmensz from Deutecon, Gelderland; and Claes

Theunisz from Apeldoorn (he married, NYDR, 1654, Leentje Martens [NYRec 40:189; Riker]. In addition, the Amsterdam merchant, Matheus de Gomsée, was also a passenger [Not. de Winter].

Blommaert was again in the Fatherland in 1654, returning as a skipper of the Vergulde Schel (Gilded Shell) in the employ of Volckert Jansz of Manhattan. In later life Blommaert had left Manhattan and was equipage-meester, commissary of outfitting, for the West India Company on the coast of Guinea. He was deceased in 1664 when his widow Helena Jacobs gave a power of attorney to collect the still outstanding debts in New Netherland [Not. J. de Winter].

Another prominent merchant who at one time resided in New Amsterdam was Roeland Savry, born at Haarlem. He was a cousin of Governor Stuyvesant. In his will made before Not. Kruys 3 Feb. 1653, he left 150 gl. to the Governor, 100 gl. to his own son Salomon Savry living near Haarlem, and the same amount to Willem Nicolaesz van Lith. He left equal shares to his cousin Anneke Stuyvesant widow of Samuel Bayard, and his cousin Grietie Stuyvesant who made her home with Nicolaes van Lith, also his own cousin, with whom he was staying at present. When Stuyvesant was leaving for New Netherland in 1646, he had given a power-of-attorney to conduct his affairs in the Fatherland to Nicolaes van Lith, his cousin, or after the latter's death to Nicolaes' son Willem [29 June 1646, Not. H. Schaeff, Amsterdam].

Another important early merchant was Jacques Cousseau, who, like Savry mentioned above, was undoubtedly of either Walloon or Huguenot ancestry; as was also Jacques l'Hermite, the associate and cousin of Kiliaen van Rensselaer. Cousseau was in Manhattan 1662-1669. From a paper dated 21 April 1662 we learn that he had a power-of-attorney from Arent Evertsz Molenaer, former schoolmaster, precentor, ziekentrooster (comforter of the sick) at Nieuw Amstel, Delaware, to collect the money due him from "The City" [Amsterdam, owner of the Colony], i.e., his wages, and to surrender them to the Deacons of the Walloon Church. Cousseau had business dealings with Fredrick Philipse in 1669, and in 1670 he gave a power-of-attorney to Jacques l'Hermite on the Island of St. Christophe (in the Caribbean) [12 April 1670, Not. Westfrisijs]. That Walloon and Huguenot enterprise was active in New Netherland is indicated by other French-sounding names of merchants engaged in trade there, such as Jean Cathou and Henry Guillantini.

Arent Evertsz Molenaer, the schoolmaster at the Delaware mentioned above, belonged to the well-known Keteltas family. This surname is the Dutch for canteen, a bag (tas) in which the soldier carries his kettle (ketel). Arent had a brother Jan Evertsz Keteltas, and

they were sons of Evert Pietersz from the small town of Landsmeer, North Holland. From my own notes I am able to add the name of one who was very probably a close relative of the family in Holland, for the surname was unusual and in addition the name Evert appears. Barent Evertsz Keteltas wrote a book and invented an instrument to determine longitude. The book, entitled Ghebruyck der naeld wiisinge (the use of the compass), was dedicated to the Admiralty of Amsterdam, and he presented copies to the Council of the City. It attracted some attention; the City Council gave him 25 fl., and the States General, 150 pounds of 60 gr. each, 10 Aug. and 2 Sept. 1610 [Navorscher, XII:274; XXI:515; V:40-1; Oud Holland, 1925:161]. At a later date there was one Jan Willemse Keteltasse buried at Kampen, in 1748.

Hendrik Willems, the leading baker at New Amsterdam in the second half of the 17th century [Icon. Manh. II: 261] was a native of the small town of Esens in Holstein, as specified in a mention of him as a "baker in New Netherland" [2 Feb. 1650, Not. H. van Velsen], when Joost Theunissen from Norden, also a baker at New Amsterdam, but in Amsterdam at the time, hired for Hendrik the baker's apprentice Symon Volckerts from Esens, Holstein. Joost Theunissen also hired for himself an apprentice, namely, Gerrit Sybrandts from Norden. He was to serve him for three years, half of his passage money was to be paid, and a yearly salary of 200 gl. in "loose seewant."

Arent van Hattum was an early Burgomaster of New Amsterdam in 1653 and 1654. His surname indicates for the family an origin from the city of Hattem, Overysel. He himself, however, was from the Neder Betuwe [Lower-Betuwe, a part of the Province of Gelderland], namely, Woudrichem. In the church at Eck near Woudrichem is a stone under which one Dirk and one Johannes van Hattem are buried, dated 20 Dec. 1631. On it appears their coat-of-arms, 3 mullets of 5 pts. and a standing bird for a crest [Her. Bibliotheek, 1879:163]. Arent's wife was Elisabeth Zydevelde. Arent came here with Cornelis van Werckhoven, the founder of New Utrecht, and like Cornelis eventually returned also to Patria. There is also mention of Arent van Hattum, Jr. [KingsCo; RNA, II: 358; VII:219].

Claes Jansen van Naerden, better known as Claes Jansz de Ruyter [NYRec 65:122-131; VRB:676] was an early settler. On the point of going to New Netherland, he made his will before Notary J. v.d. Ven at Amsterdam, 23 Jan. 1636, in which he mentioned his brother, Ryck Jansz at Naarden. Prior to going on a return voyage to New Netherland in 1659, in the ship the Draetvat, he appeared before the same Notary on 17 Mar. 1659 and declared he owed skipper Albert Jansz 290 gl. for a previous trip

to New Netherland for the passage of himself and his son and the freight and duty "impost" for the shirts, tobacco pipes and "paintings" which he had taken with him to New Netherland [see also VRB:816]. The mention of paintings is of interest.

The ancestor of the Van Benschoten family, Teunis Eliassen, was indicated as Theunis Eliassen de Kaerl from Benschoten when hired in 1662 by Jan Poest. He was 16 years old. The year of his emigration was previously unknown. De Kaerl was a nickname and the equivalent of the English "churl" or "bloke." When used with an adjective, it sometimes has the meaning of "fellow."

Arent Arentsz Otterspoor was in Rensselaerswyck in 1649 [VRB:840]. Although the original place of origin of the family must have been Otterspoor, he was indicated as from Jutfaas (Utrecht) when he was hired to go to Rensselaerswyck on 5 May 1649 [Not. v.d. Ven]. He was then 33 years old and was to sail on the Valkenier as a farm hand to cut wood and to plant tobacco.

Tobacco raising was a lucrative occupation in the Colony and gave work to many settlers. According to van Twiller (27 July 1632), every two acres needed five to six men for cultivation. Minuit stated that the tobacco was planted in the fall and the ground was covered during the winter and this gave a very good harvest in the spring. The winter crop was better than the summer crop.

Hendrik Koster married Geertie van Schayck, a daughter of Goossen Gerritsz van Schayck (she married second, Johannes Lansing). This was an instance of the employee marrying the boss's daughter. Hendrik Koster had been hired by Seth Verbrugge on 25 Nov. 1658 [Not. Schaeff] for Goossen van Schaick to serve the latter at Fort Orange in the tailoring business and other "affaires."

Meyndert Hendricksen from Meppel, who married [NYDR 1681 (48)] Jannetje Hendriks van de Esopus, had been hired 21 Mar. 1663 as a farm hand by Elbert Elbertsz from Nykerk [Not. Schaeff].

Elias van Ravesteyn was hired as a servant for Jan Koster, a "rol an lademaker" (gunstockmaker) in New Netherland by the latter's brother, Cornelis Coster, also a gunstockmaker at Utrecht [25 Apr. 1658, Not. Westfrisius].

Johannes Verveelen, whose children married in New Netherland, had a brother Isaac Verveelen, a merchant at Amsterdam [29 Mar. 1668, Not. Lock].

Cornelis Cornelisz Verwey, born at "de Vecht," was hired as a farm hand by Arent van Curlor. His father was Cornelis Cornelisz Verwey "de Oude" [Sr.] [29 Mar. 1657, Not. Molengraaf, Amsterdam].

A brother of Egbert van Borsum was "spiegelkasten-

maker" (showcase maker) at Amsterdam [25 Apr. 1659, Not. J. Hellerus, p. 204].

Stoffel Elswaert (Theophilus Ellsworth) from Bristol made an agreement on 25 Apr. 1652 before Not. J. de Winter at Amsterdam with Dirck Claesz Boot, skipper of de Romeyn, to sail to New Netherland "for adventure and half the profit." He acknowledged having received from the latter 154 gl. in advance.

Jan Jansz, j.m. van den Ham, who married [NYDR 1650 (16)] Grietje Jans, j.d. from Utrecht, and whose children apparently took the name van Ham as their surname, was called Jan Jansz van den Ham alias Welckinhoff on 4 Jan. 1664 [Not. Born] when Daniel Hondecoeter [NYRec 70:59] received a power-of-attorney to collect money from Jan Jansz. Janneken Wilkenhoff, who as the widow of Jan Thyssen married [NYDR 1695] Isaac Selover, was therefore undoubtedly a daughter of Jan Jansz van den Ham, namely, the daughter baptized 1657 [NYDR (44)].

According to a notarial paper, Andries Claes de Ryp, living in 1675 in New Netherland, was the father of Abraham de Ryp, an artist who made a will 19 Mar. 1675 before Not. J. v.d. Huys at Amsterdam. Abraham is mentioned as a landscape and portrait painter at Amsterdam who was born about 1644 and married in 1674 the thirty-year-old daughter of Isaac de Joinderville, also a painter. He was still living in 1705. [Thieme-Becker, Künstler Lexicon; only three paintings are listed there.]

Cornelis Theunissen from "Gorchem" [Gorinchem, Gorkum], who apparently returned from a trip home in 1660 [HSYB 1902], is also mentioned in 1664 [ERA III:294]. He was hired by Kiliaen van Rensselaer in 1639 when 25 years old and was then married to Claesje Theunis from Norden, 24 years old [Not. van de Ven, N21, p. 60/70].

Hester Tjercks was the wife of Harmen Bastaensz Vischer from Hoorn who was first at Manhattan and later at Beverwyck [ERA III:428, 462; Munsell, Albany, IV:184; Pearson, Albany; NYRec 39; Bergen Gen. 69]. She is in all probability to be identified with a daughter of Geertje Nannings. In July 1641 Van Rensselaer made a contract to go to Rensselaerswyck, not only with Jan Verbeek [see ante], but at the same time with Geertje Nannings, widow of Tjerck Hendricks, 50 years old, and her two children, Hendrik Tjerks, 13, and Hester, 11 [see also VRB 826].

Geertje Nannings married second, Abel Hendriksz Riddenhaes, but was again a widow 21 July 1646, being then in Amsterdam [Not. H. Schaeff]; she and her boy Hendrik Tjerckx were on the point of sailing for New Netherland being both in the service of the West India Company [see also VRB 556, 838]. Her late husband was the father (not by Geertje, of course) of Hendrik Abelsz Riddenhaes, the third husband of the much-married Sophia

van Wyckersloot [NYRec 65:223; New Neth. Register, 1911, no. 3, p. 39-41].

The fact that Harmen Visscher and Hester Tjerks had a daughter Geertje (named for her putative grandmother) and a son Nanning, and also the fact that the name Nanning is a typical local name in the vicinity of Hoorn, the birthplace of Harmen Visscher, makes it almost certain that the assumed identity is correct.

Harmen Visscher had a son Bastiaen who married Alida Vinhagen. She was daughter of Jan Dirksz Vinhagen (see ante, p. 73).

(To be Continued)

ANCESTRY OF THE WHITE FAMILY OF BOLTON, MASS.

By Mrs. John E. Barclay, Whitman, Mass.

This family has been claimed as a Mayflower line from Thomas⁴ White of Marshfield, Mass., in Ancestral Chronological Record of the William White Family, 1895, by Thomas and Samuel White. Records exist, however, which prove the family to be of entirely different origin. The writers of this book collected much valuable data on numerous White families, but caused much confusion and disappointment for many who have based their claims to Mayflower ancestry on statements therein.

On pages 32-4 we find it stated that Thomas, born May 8, 1680, third son of Daniel (of Marshfield, Mass.) married Rachel ———; that they settled in Scituate, removed to Dorchester and then to Bolton, Mass. Their children are given as follows:

1. Samuel, b. about 1735; m. Sarah Fosgate.
2. William, b. Scituate 1736; m. Lydia Goodale.
3. James, b. Mar. 28, 1744; m. Oct. 5, 1768, Huldah Goodale.
4. Thomas, b. ; m. Molly French of Hollis, N.H.
5. Esther, b. ; m. a Smith.
6. Marv, b.

The authors of the book continue with a note: "The following is what I have collected from ancient documents which came into my possession at the decease of my parents which were preserved and treasured by them, making a clear record of the White Family for six generations which I have with pleasure prepared for all who may take an interest in our ancestry." [Signed T. W.] A few deeds are quoted, but they contain no proof of the descent as given, and it is evident from the above that only the birth record of James was known to

them.

In regard to these claims, the late George Ernest Bowman, editor of The Mayflower Descendant, made the following statement [Vol. 23, p. 76]: "Thomas⁴ White (Daniel³, Peregrine², William¹) married Martha Bisbee of Pembroke, Mass. He did not marry Rachel ———, as stated in the White Genealogy, published at Concord, N. H., in 1895. The compilers of that extremely unreliable book were descendants of Thomas White, of Dorchester, Milton and Bolton, Mass., who married Rachel Horton of Milton, but this Thomas White was not the son of Daniel³ White (Peregrine², William¹) of Marshfield."

One difficulty in this research is the fact that we find very little in the records about Thomas⁴ White, son of Daniel of the Mayflower line. He was born May 8, 1680, in Marshfield; married April 16, 1719 (when close to 39 years old) Martha Bisbee of Scituate, who was baptized Oct. 21, 1688, daughter of John and Joanna Bisbee. No record of their deaths has been found and there is no record that they had issue. Thomas is named in his father's will [Plymouth Probate, 4:447], dated May 25, 1721, proved June 7, 1724. On March 2, 1723, Thomas White of Marshfield sold to his brother Cornelius two lots in Pembroke. The last record found about this Thomas is as follows: "Thomas White of Marshfield admitted to the church at Scituate Oct. 10, 1736." He was then about 56 years old. The records of Thomas White of Bolton will show clearly that he could not possibly be this Thomas White of Marshfield.

James¹ White, the earliest known ancestor of the Bolton family, was probably born between 1652 and 1660; his parentage apparently unknown, also the time of his arrival. There are no probate records and no deeds that can be assigned directly to him. We first find him located in Boston in the birth records, where his daughter Eleanor was recorded in 1690, and he probably had at least three children born before that date. The family moved to Dorchester Village early in 1700, and the marriages of some of his children are recorded there. It seems probable that this James was a brother of the Benjamin White, also of Dorchester Village and of Stoughton, who died at Stoughton, Mass., in 1726 leaving a widow Mary and five children. Both James and Benjamin left descendants in Stoughton, Canton and Dedham. It has been suggested that James and Benjamin belonged to the John White family originally settled along the Kennebec River in Maine who were driven out by the Indian massacres in 1685-6 and took refuge in Boston, Milton and Dorchester.

James married about 1682, Esther ———, of whom nothing further is known. No record of their deaths has been found. They had the following children:

1. Esther², b. about 1684; m. Nov. 27, 1707, Nathaniel Lyon (Boston R.C.R., 28:12). He was b. Dec. 28, 1690, d. at Needham, Mass., Sept. 5, 1718, son of Nathaniel.
2. Mary, b. about 1686; m. Nov. 25, 1706, Ebenezer Dean (Needham V.R. p. 36); she d. Jan. 19, 1711/12 (*ibid.*) and he m. again.
- ? 3. Benjamin, b. about 1688; probably m. Jan. 17, 1716, Lydia Secan (Braintree V.R.). This is not proved, and she may have been a second wife of the older Benjamin who had children recorded in Braintree by a wife Mary, but in that case he must have had a third wife Mary named in his will (1726) at Stoughton.
4. Eleanor, b. Sept. 1690 (Boston R.C.R. 9:191).
5. James, b. Nov. 12, 1693 (Boston R.C.R. 9:209); m. Apr. 29, 1719, Jerusha White (Dorchester V.R. p. 109). She was dau. of Henry White of Dorchester and sister of Josiah. James d. in Stoughton in the latter part of 1728, and is called "weaver" in the administration papers, also when Josiah White was named "guardian of his nephew James White, a minor aged about 8 years, son of James White of Stoughton, weaver, deceased" (Suffolk Probate, 15:321, New Series, and 27:429). Note: This James White has been confused with James³ (James², Edward¹), b. May 29, 1679, m. Judith Whiten of Hingham, and d. at Hingham Apr. 22, 1733 aged 55 (Suffolk Probate, 30:426; 33:392).
- *6. Thomas, b. Oct. 14, 1696 (Boston R.C.R. 9:229).
7. John, b. Oct. 8, 1698; perhaps d. Nov. 3, 1703 (Dorchester V.R.).

Thomas² White, born Oct. 14, 1696, married March 2, 1727, Rachel Horton (Milton V.R. p. 195), born Dec. 2, 1706 (*ibid.*, p. 33), daughter of David and Mary (Babcock) Horton. Milton marriage records call them both "of Milton" and state that they were married by Rev. Peter Thatcher. They removed to Bolton, Mass. Their children are all recorded in Milton [V.R. p. 77]:

1. Benjamin³, b. Nov. 4, 1731; d. Dec. 23, 1745, Milton.
2. Rachel, b. July 17, 1734; probably d. young.
3. William, b. July 17, 1736; m. July 3, 1766, Lydia Goodell (Bolton V.R.); moved to Templeton, Mass., then to Marlborough, N.H., where he died.
4. Esther, b. June 5, 1738; m. Mar. 6, 1760, Ichabod Smith (Marlboro, Mass., V.R.).
5. Samuel, b. Oct. 4, 1739; m. Dec. 1, 1756, Sarah Forsdick (Marlboro V.R.); d. Oct. 12, 1788, Bolton, Mass.
6. Mary, b. Jan. 17, 1742; m. Jan. 8, 1777, John Piper (Templeton V.R.).
7. James, b. Mar. 28, 1744; m. Oct. 6, 1768, Huldah Goodell of Danvers (Bolton V.R.), bapt. Apr. 15, 1750 (Salem V.R. 1:366), dau. of David and Lydia (Putnam) Goodell. Removed to Marlborough, N.H.
8. Thomas, b. July 8, 1746; m. about 1772, Mary French; d. Aug. 20, 1831, Cornish, N.H. They lived in Tem-

pleton, Mass., after marriage, where several children will be found recorded to them; later moved to New Hampshire.

There are several deeds at Suffolk Court House, Boston, showing that Thomas² White bought land in Milton, the first being dated Aug. 7, 1725 [Deeds, 39:5], in which he is called a cordwainer. The last deed, Aug. 23, 1756 [89:42], shows that Thomas White of Milton, for £106.13.4, sold to William Taylor of Boston upland in Milton, 11 acres near the Meeting House together with all buildings, fences, etc., wife Rachel consenting to relinquish her dower rights. Soon after, he removed to Bolton, Mass., as shown by Worcester County Deeds [46:129], wherein Thomas White of Milton, Suffolk County, bought of Joseph and Alice Horton of Bolton, for £160, a mansion house and barn in Bolton with 100 acres, Nov. 19, 1756.

Thomas died in 1770 in Bolton, Mass. [Worcester Probate Records, #64523]. His will, dated July 6, 1768, proved in 1770, names wife Rachel; sons Samuel, William, James and Thomas; daughters Esther Smith and Mary White.

NEW LONDON PROBATE RECORDS
FILES BEFORE 1710

Abstracted by Donald Lines Jacobus

(Concluded from Vol. 21, p. 120)

WALSWORTH, JOSEPH, of Lebanon. File No. 5477. Conveyance from Joseph Wadsworth of Lebanon, New London County (signed Joseph and Lydia Wadsworth) for £26 to Benjamin Wadsworth of Boston, Suffolk Co., Massachusetts Bay, of a thousand acre right given originally by Joshua, an Indian Sachem, to certain inhabitants of Saybrook, lying between Lebanon and Glassonbury. Witnesses: John Woodward, Oxenbridge Thatcher. 29 August 1704.

WALSWORTH, WILLIAM, of New London. File No. 5517. Bond 1 Dec. 1702 of Mary Warlworth of New London as administratrix, with sureties Capt: Samuel Chester and Leiv^t James Avery, of New London. [The name, Ensⁿ John Hough, was entered for a surety and crossed out.]

Inventory (£178:04:00) taken by Sam^r Chestur and John Auery; Widow made oath 3 Feb. 1702/3. Childrens age:-

Martha 12 years old in march next
William 10 years old January last
Mary 8 years old this february

John 6 years old next Juene
 Johanna 4 years old Octobur next
 The 2 twins 2 veare old next May

Account of administratrix, 27 June 1721.

Distribution made 2 Nov. 1721 by M^r John Faning, M^r William Morgan and Samuell fish Jun^r, all of Groton, of realty to the Widow; William Wallworth, a double part; John Wallworth; and thomas Walworth.

Mary Wallsworth of Groton, the helict of M^r William Walsworth Dec^d, asks to have dower set out, 4 May 1741.

William Walsworth of Groton objects to distribution made of "the 3^{ds} of my mother," 21 May 1741.

Thomas Mulford, Nathan Niles & Eben^r Auery 2^d, distributors, set out 1/3 of real estate of Mr. William Wallsworth Late of Groton to his widow Mary, 30 May 1741.

WATERUS, BENJAMIN, of New London. File No. 5532. Bond 4 June 1702 of Oliuer Manwering (mark OM), Administrator, with John Richards, surety.

Oliuer Manoring (signed) petitioned 3 June 1702 that beniemin walterhouse late of New London dyed seized of some estate; next of kin have not taken out administration, he applies as a creditor.

Notification 3 June 1702 to Jacob Waterus that M^r Manwering requests administration on Estate of "your brother Benjamin."

Inventory, total £16-05-00. Includes one quarter part of the homestead given him by his father in his last Will; also 1/4 of 2 acres at Foxons. John Richards cath 16 Sept. 1702.

Two accounts.

Distribution (recorded 7 Apr. 1705) made by Robert Lattimore, Jeremiah Chapman & Joshua Hemstead; "the estate of Jn^o Waterus Joseph Waterus & Benj Waterus Wee have Set unto Jacob Waterus y^e son of Jn^o Waterus"; to Elizabeth Hackley her partt; to Mr. Oliver Manwering; mention later made of "the wife of Peter Hackly"; also that "Jacob Waterus disposed of his Right to his three Brothers viz- John Joseph & Benj^a Waterus."

WATERUS, JACOB, of New London. File No. 5541. He certifies 24 May 1709 that Abraham Chalker of Saybrook, "my Gardien, hath deliuered to me....my father's estate." Witnesses: James Rogers Juni, Peter Hackely.

WATERMAN, THOMAS, of Norwich. File No. 5565. 1708. inventory and distribution; given in The Waterman Family, Vol. I (1939), p. 21.

WEDGE, DEBRO. File No. 5594. Receipt given 28 Oct.

1703 to Joshua and Isaac Wedge by Mary Pope and David and Deborah Wedge for £9. 12s. each.

WHEELER, JOHN, of New London. File No. 5656. Inventory of "the Estate of M^r John Wheeler Late of New London Deceased: Decemb^r: 16th: 1691." Total shown here, £1194:06:01. M^{rs} Elizabeth Steer Relict to M^r John Wheeler late of New London....appeared 10 Jan. 1699/1700 and made oath.

Application of Rich^d Steer Husband of Elizabeth Administratrix to y^e Estate of M^r John Wheeler Late of New London Deceased. [1699]

Account of Elizabeth Steer "assisted by my present Husband Richard Steer." Total estate shown here is £1382-03-07. Advances made on behalf of some of the heirs are listed: Disbursements upon Zacheus Eldest son [apprentice to a Cooper and to fit him out for the Sea]; to Elizabeth Eldest Daughter; to Joshua Second Sone [put out to apprentice to Joshua Abell]; to William third Son [put forth Apprentis to a shoemaker at Norwich]; and For Bringing up the two youngest Children. At the end: "The Ages of the Children of M^r Jn^o Wheeler at the Death of their father"—

Zaccheus	about 16	William	about 8½
Elizabeth	" 13	Anna	" 4
Joshua	" 11	John	" 1½

WHITTELSEY, JOHN, of Saybrook. File No. 5694. Will 10 Aprill 1704, proved 9 June 1704. Wife Ruth Whittelsey, a third of estate; Two Eldest sons John and Stephen Whittelsey [executors]; sons Ebenezer, Jabes, Eliphalet, and Samuell Whittelsey; daughters Ruth and Eliz^a: Whittelsey; grandson Joseph Whittelsey, after my decease and when he Comes to age, that house & lott now in possession of my son Stephen Whittelsey and that Bible which was his father's. Witnesses: Nicolas Marson, Sam^l Willard, Daniell Taylor.

8 June 1704, Deposition of Nicolas Marson & Sam^l Willard aged 45 years or there aboutes, regarding a codicil to the will.

Inventory taken 26 May 1704 by Robt Chapman and Abraham Chalker; total, £968.06.02.

WILCOXSON, JOSEPH, of [Killingworth]. File No. 5717. Inventory of "Estate of Joseph Wilcoxson who deceased octobur: the: 30: 1682" taken by Henary Crane, Samuell Buell and Andrew Ward; total, £356-00-00. The Widow mentioned. "The Children are"

Joseph Willcock	aged 23 veres
Thomas Willcock	aged 21 veres
Samuell Willcock	aged 19 verers
Hannah Willcock	aged 17 verers

Nathaniell Willcock	adged 14 yeres
william Willcock	adged 11 yeres
margitt Willcock	adged 9 yeres
John Willcock	adged 6 yeres

Inventory exhibited 6 June 1683 and Widow then made oath. Administration was granted to her "& her sonn Joseph" with Lift Crane and Samuell Buell overseers.

WILLIAMS, AUGUSTINE, of Killingworth. File No. 5724. Thomas Williams of Kennelworth with sureties John Crane of Kennelworth and Dan^l Williams of Lebanon gave bond 14 Feb. 1709/10 as administrator of Estate of Augustine Williams. [Note: There is an imperfect and unsigned copy of this bond, same date, same administrator and sureties, but by error naming Thomas Williams himself instead of Augustine as deceased; this was evidently discarded because of incorrect reading and used (as indicated by endorsement on the back) as a cover paper for documents relating to a different estate; it has been placed in a file (5768) by itself labeled "Thomas Williams," but there was no such estate.]

Bethiah Clarke of Lebanon formerly Bethiah Williams of Killingworth Before my Maraige did Receive of my Honoured Mother Hannah Browne of Killingworth Administratrix to the Estate of my Honoured ffather Augustaine Williams....£/5. 6s. ...in full of my right. Acquits etc. 3 Feb. 1709/10. Witnesses: William Clarke jun^r, John Crane.

Hannah Rose of Brandford formerly Hannah Williams of Kelinworth Before my Marriage [similar to above] acquits Mother Hannah Browne, 22 Apr. 1703. Witnesses: John Rose, John Browne.

Thomas Williams of Killingworth, and Daniel Williams and Matthew Williams late of sd Killingworth now Resident in Lebanon, divide lands of father Augustaine Williams of Killingworth dec'd, 13 Mar. 1710/11.

[Note: The acquittance of Hannah (Williams) Rose was written by her stepfather John Browne who witnessed it. The beautiful handwriting and signature are identical with script in Newark records written by John Browne, Jr., of Milford, Conn., and Newark, N.J., son of John and Mary (Burwell) Browne. This establishes the identity of the writer. Browne's first wife was a daughter of George Clarke, "Farmer," of Milford, and sister of the wife of Abraham Pierson, Jr., minister at Newark and Killingworth. Doubtless it was this connection which led Browne to meet and marry for his second wife the widow Williams of Killingworth, and later to settle there. For Browne's estate, see *ante*, vol. 10, p. 39. His only surviving child, Samuel Browne, by the second wife, settled in Lebanon and Waterbury, Conn., married Joanna Loomis and had ten children.]

WILLIAMS, JOHN, of Stonington. File No. 5745. Bond 3 June 1703 of Martha Williams of Stonington, Widow and Administratrix, with sureties Isaac Wheler and Isaac Wheler Jun^r of same, Estate of John Williams.

Inventory of Estate of John Williams of Stonington Deceased taken 13 Apr. 1703 by Lieut^t Daniell Mason and M^r Ebenazer Williams. Names and ages of the Children:

Isaak	14	William	06
John	11	Benajah	02
Martha	09	Eunice	00: 11 months old
Deborah	08		

Division made at Stoningtown 26 Feb. 1711/12 to Widow M^s Martha Williams and the children (named as above).

WILLIAMS, THOMAS, of New London. File No. 5767. Inventory of Estate of Thomas Williams of New London who "Deceased the 24th of Septemb^r 1705" taken 2 Aug. 1706 by tho Bolles, John Edgcumb and Joshua Baker. The widow Johanna appeared 18 Sept. 1706 and made oath. The Names of the Children of Thomas Williams

John Williams	33	Marcy Williams	20
Grace Rogers	28	patience Williams	18
Thomas Williams	26	Elizabeth Williams	14
Jonathan Williams	24	Sam ^l Williams	16
M ^{rs} Williams	21	Ebenez ^r Williams	12
Joanna Williams	Twins 21	the heirs of Sarah bayly deceased	
		daughter to the deceased	

WILLIAMS, WILLIAM, of New London. File No. 5773. Bond 7 June 1704 of Richard Williams of New London, Adm^r, with surety Leiv^t: John Morgan, on Estate of William Williams of New London.

Inventory taken 6 June 1704 by John Morgan and Richard Paker (his mark, initials RP with the R made backwards). The Names of the Children of William Williams are

Richard Williams the elder
William
Henrev
Marv
Stephen all of full age

Complaint 4 July 1721 of Samuel Packer of Groton who marryed Mary the Daughter of William Williams late of sd Groton that Richard Williams, Adm^r., neglected to divide the estate.

WINTHROP, FITZ JOHN, of New London. File No. 5790. Will 14 Mar. 1701/2, proved 13 Jan. 1707/8. Daughter M^{rs} Mary Levingstone. My Daughters Mother M^{rs} Elizabeth Winthrop. Brother Maj^r Waitstill Winthrop. My four sisters, Namely, M^{rs} Endicut, M^{rs} Corwin, M^{rs}

Wharton And M^{rs} Richards, £400. To the Collegiate School (at Saybrook), £100. Executors: brother Maj^r: Waitstill Winthrop, son M^r John Levingstone, daughter M^{rs} Mary Levingstone, and friends M^r James Noyes, M^r Gurdon Saltonstall & M^r Richard Christophers. Witnesses: Tho: Buckingham, John Prentts, Jonathan Prentts, Sam^l Rogers Jun^r. [Twice in the will the phrase "my Daughters Mother M^{rs} Elizabeth Tongue" was written, in both places the name "Winthrop" being heavily written over "Tongue." She was daughter of George Tongue.]

Inventory of the Estate "of the Honourable fitts John Winthrop Esq^r Late Gouver^r of her majesties Collony of Conectecott, Who decased Nouemb^r 27th. 1707" was taken 7 Apr. 1709 by John Richards and Jn^o Plumbe.

WRIGHT, JOSEPH, of Killingworth. File No. 5848. Bond 13 Apr. 1704 of John Wright of Kennelworth, with surety John Nettleton.

Inventory of the estate of "Mr. Joseph Wright late of Kenelworth who deseaced out of this life the: 19th: of Februa^r: ano^d: 1703/4" was taken 9 Mar. 1703/4 by John Shether, John Crane and John Browne; £568.16.9. The Children and their age

John	24	Joseph	11
Mary	16	Elizibeth	08
Mercy	13		

Agreement 27 Mar. 1703/4 [sic] between Martha Wright widow and John Wright son and heir, of Joseph Wright, and subscribed 12 Apr. 1704. Witnesses: John Browne, John Crane.

Division made 26 Aug. 1714 by John Nettleton, Edward Rutty and John Kelcey between John eldest son; Joseph Wright; Mary the Eldest Daughter; Marcy the 2^d Daughter; and Elezibeth the 3^d Daughter.

Receipt given 26 Aug. 1714 to Brother John Wright of Killingworth by Joseph, Mary, Marcy & Elezibeth Wright of Killingworth for shares in Estate of our Honoured father Joseph Wright. Witnesses: John Nettelton, Edward Rutty.

NOTE: Little did your Editor think, when he planned this series of early New London probate abstracts in 1932 that he would be seated at his typewriter pounding out the final instalment more than twenty years later. The abstracting had to be done in Hartford when he happened to complete professional searches with a little time to spare at the end of the day. Of late years he never seemed to have any time "left over." The previous instalments will be found in vol. 9, pp. 230-3; vol. 10, pp. 35-40, 101-4, 166-70, 215-7; vol. 11, pp. 30-1, 103-5, 153-7; vol. 12, pp. 33-4, 115-6, 151-4; vol. 13, pp. 106-10, 164-6, 246-7; vol. 14, pp. 16-8, 103-4, 184-6, 246-8; vol. 15, pp. 104-6; vol. 17, pp. 118-20; vol. 18, pp. 121-4; vol. 19, pp. 218-21; vol. 20, pp. 190-2; and vol. 21, pp. 120-2. Finis.

FRANCIS DOWSE OF BOSTON AND HIS TEN DAUGHTERS

By John Insley Codding, of Washington, D.C.

Francis¹ Dowse or Dows, merchant, tanner and sealer of leather, appeared at Boston, Mass., by 1639, and died there in December 1680. He was not (as was alleged in certain early accounts of the family) a brother of his more famous contemporary, Lawrence Dowse of Boston and Charlestown, Mass., carpenter and planter. The latter was blessed with male posterity to carry on his name, whereas Francis Dowse had ten daughters but no son, for which reason genealogists have been more concerned with Lawrence than with Francis. Brief mention was made of Francis Dowse in Azro Milton Dows, The Dowse or Dows Family in America (Lowell, Mass., 1890), p. 296, but he was not mentioned at all in William Bradford Homer Dowse, Lawrence Dowse of Legbourne, England, his Ancestors, Descendants and Connections in England, Massachusetts and Ireland (Boston, 1926). The latter book contains a wealth of material on the Dowse family in England, and includes mention of several individuals named Francis Dowse, none of whom, however, could be identified with the settler in Boston. The author shows that Lawrence Dowse, the New England planter, was baptised at Legbourne, co. Lincoln, 6 June 1613, and had no brother named Francis.

Francis Dowse, whose parentage and place of birth are at present unknown, was probably born in England about 1610-1620. He was listed as an inhabitant of Boston, 30 December 1639, and probably arrived not long before that date. He was admitted to the church in Boston on 20 June 1640, being at that time in the employ of George Burden, shoemaker and tanner, and he lived "on the left side of Summer Street, going from High [now Washington] Street." He became a freeman of Boston on 2 June 1641, and later became a tanner and leather merchant of some prominence. He was chosen Constable of Boston on 8 March 1658, and was listed as a sealer of leather on 16 March 1674. He owned houses and yards on Elm Street in Boston, of which he disposed in his will, which was dated 13 December and proved at Boston 23 December 1680, so that it is apparent that he died at Boston between those dates.

He was married, apparently in New England, and probably in 1641, to Katherine ———, whose maiden surname is unknown, and who was admitted to the church in Boston on 10 June 1643. She survived him and acted as executrix of his will. The following is a verbatim transcript of that will from the Suffolk County (Mass.) Probate records:

"In the name of God Amen: I Francis Dowse of Boston

in New England being weake in body but of sound judgment, and being sencible of the frailty of my Life, do make and constitute this my last will and Testament as followeth:

"First I Give up and resigne my Soule to God, that gave it, hoping through the meritts of Jesus Christ his son to receive the forgiveness of all my sins and Eternall life through him, and my body to the earth from whence it came, to be buried with Christian buryall at the discretion of my Executrix, and for the worldly goods which god hath bene pleased to give unto mee, my will is, First That all my Just debts I do owe unto any P'son that may be holy paid in Convenient time after my decease, and also that my funerall charges may be discharged out of my owne estate. Secondly I do give unto my dear wife my whole estate, wherever it is, to be at her owne dispose, during the time of her naturall life, and my will is that my son in law John Hill, during the naturall life of my daughter Mary, which is now his wife, shall not pay rent for my house in which he now dwells, And my will is further that my son in law Henry Ingram and my son in law Matthew Collins each of them shall pay not above three pounds a yeares each of them for the houses which they now dwell in during the lives of my two daughters, which are now their wives. And my will further is, that after the death of my wife, my daughter Mary Hill shall have Twenty pounds for her selfe or her Children out of my estate. Item after the death of my wife I give and bequeath unto my daughter Deborah Collicott or her Children Twenty pounds out of my estate. Item I give unto my son in law John Hills and to my son in law Preserved Collicott each of them Tenn pounds in leather, quickly after my decease. Item my will is that after the death of my wife, I do give unto my daughter Mary Hill and her Children after her, that part of my house which she now dwells in and the ground that it stands upon, and so the ground over against it by a Line from the body of the stack of [one word illegible] unto the ground of M^r Thomas Brattle. Item after the death of my wife I give unto my daughter Naomi Collins, and her Children after her, the house in which she now dwells and the ground it stands upon, and that little piece of ground that is betwene that house and the house in which I now dwell. Item, I Give unto my daughter Lydia Ingram, after the death of my wife, that house and ground she now dwells in, And I do make an addition to the ground, that so in all it shall be thirty three foote and a halfe in length and Twenty one foote and a halfe in breadth, and my will further is that that part of my yarde roome which is betwene the yard roome that I gave to my daughter Hill and my old kitchen, be divided into three equall parts, for wood yards,

one for my daughter Collins, the other two for the two Ends of the house which I now dwell in. Item, I Give unto my daughter Sarah Dunell Twenty pounds after the death of my wife. Item I Give unto my deare wife to dispose of what part of my estate she pleaseth unto my daughter Hannah Homer. Item I give power to my deare wife to looke after my servants and that they shall all be at her dispose. Item, all the rest of my Estate, that is not herein mentioned, I give to my deare wife to dispose of according to her minde and will, and give her liberty to make a will concerning it, only that it be disposed of among my Children, as their needs shall require. Lastly my Will is, That my deare wife shall bee sole Executrix to this my Last Will & Testament, and I do desire my trusty & welbeloved friends M^r Humphry Davie and M^r Samuell Nowell to bee assisting to my deare wife in the accomplishing of this my last will & Testament, as witness my hand this thirteenth day of December in the year of our Lord One thousand six hundred & eighty.

Francis Dowse & a seale

Signed sealed read & declared

in the presences of us

William Parsons

Moses Bradford

Wee whose names are here

underwritten doe testify:

that Francis Dowse when he
made this will, did order

and appointe that there should be a Passageway from the Lane, in at his gate, which is entring into his yarde roomes, by the house where John Hill doth now dwell, and so along into the innermost part of the ground, and so to be continued continually, and this was done before sealing.

William Parsons

Moses Bradford"

The will was probated at Boston by Katherine Dowse, the relict and executrix, on 23 December 1680. It is evident from the language of the will that Francis Dowse was a substantial man of property as well as a devoted husband and a careful father. His wife Katherine appeared as "Widow Dowse" on the Boston Tax List of 1681. She followed her husband's instructions and made a will on 26 October 1697, in which she bequeathed to her daughters Lydia Ingram, Naomi Collins and Mary Hill, and to her grandchildren Katherine Collins and Francis Ingram. She made her sons-in-law Henry Ingraham [Ingram] and Matthew Collins her executors, and she died at Boston on 14 April 1698, her death being recorded in the Boston Town Records as "Katharine Dowse an Antiant Wido Dyed." An inventory of her estate, which amounted to £160 17s., was taken on 25 April 1698, and her will was proved by the two executors named on 5 May 1698.

Francis and Katherine Dowse had, as has been mentioned, ten daughters: Elizabeth, Mary, Hannah, Sarah (d. young), Lydia (d. young), Deborah, Naomi (d. young), Lydia, Sarah, and Naomi. It must be emphasized that mistakes have been made in the past in giving lists of these ten girls, probably due to the parents' predilection for naming younger daughters after deceased older ones. Savage [Genealogical Dict. of New England, 2:68] gave only seven of them: Elizabeth, Mary, Hannah, Deborah, the first Naomi, the second Lydia, and the second Sarah. The youngest child, the second Naomi, was born 30 January 1658/9, but was incorrectly recorded as Mary in the Boston Town Records, though she was correctly baptized as "Naomi" at the First Church in Boston on 6 February 1658/9 [Reports of the Record Commissioners... of Boston, 9:64, 68]. Except for this error, the records of the Dowse children in this volume seem to be entirely correct. The Dowse or Dows Family in America (1890) contains the names of Elizabeth, Mary, Hannah, Deborah, the first Naomi, the second Lydia, the second Sarah, and falls into the error of calling the last child Mary instead of Naomi. Pope, Pioneers of Massachusetts (Boston, 1900), p. 144, gives the couple eleven daughters by enumerating all that they actually had and by splitting the second Naomi by fission into two children called Mary and Naomi. Pope makes a further mistake in referring to the Dowses' son-in-law Henry Ingraham or Ingram as "Matthew" Ingram.

The ten daughters of Francis and Katherine Dowse, all born in Boston, were:

- i. Elizabeth², probably b. 15 July 1642. The Boston Town Record reads: "Elizabeth of Francis & Katherine Douse, born 20 day 6 month" (meaning August). But the more accurate First Church record reads: Elizabeth of Francis Dowse, aged about 2 days (baptized) 17 day 5 mo. (July). It is believed, therefore, that Elizabeth Dowse was b. 15 July and bapt. 17 July 1642. She was married at the age of 17, and her marriage record reads: "1659. Samuel Miles & Elizabeth Dowse dau. of Francis Dowse of Boston were married 16th. Oct. by John Endecott Gov." The fact that the Governor performed the marriage may be an indication of the social position of the Dowse and Miles families. The young husband, Samuel² Miles, was bapt. at New Haven, 12 Apr. 1640, by Rev. Peter Prudden, who had been ordained a week before that date as minister of the newly organized Milford church; and hence was aged 19 at the time of his marriage. He died at New Haven, 24 Dec. 1678. He was the second known son of Richard¹ Miles of Milford and New Haven, deacon, magistrate, deputy, and clerk of the New Haven Artillery Co., by his unknown first wife (New Haven Genealogi-

cal Magazine, 5:1182). Samuel² Miles and his older brother, Richard² Miles, came to Boston as young men, and both of them were married in Massachusetts Bay in the autumn of 1659, for Richard was married at Charlestown on 8 Sept. 1659 to Elizabeth Edmonds, a little over a month before Samuel's wedding to Elizabeth Dowse in Boston. Elizabeth (Edmonds) Miles soon died and Richard² Miles married secondly Experience Collicott, whose brother Preserved Collicott married Deborah Dowse (see below), sister of Elizabeth (Dowse) Miles. The proof that the brothers Richard² and Samuel² Miles of Milford and New Haven were identical with Richard and Samuel Miles of Boston and Charlestown is to be found in the inventory of the estate of Richard² Miles of Charlestown, dated Feb. 1669/70, in which mention is made of "the house and ground in New Haven given by his father upon a covenant of marriage" (New England Hist. and Gen. Register, 48:325).

Samuel and Elizabeth (Dowse) Miles had two recorded children:

1. Samuel³ Miles, b. at Boston 27 Apr. 1662, recorded in the Town Record as "Samuel of Samuel & Elizabeth Miles"; perhaps (but probably not) the child bapt. at the First Church in Boston over 4 years later, 12 Aug. 1666, as "Samuel of Sister Miles." He d. young.
2. John³ Miles, b. at New Haven 29 Jan. 1663/4; d. young. Two facts show that Samuel³ and John³ Miles died young. First, they were not named in the wills of their maternal grandparents, Francis and Katherine Dowse. Secondly, there is a settlement recorded at New Haven (New Haven Deeds, 1:179), dated 8 Oct. 1683, which proves conclusively that Samuel² Miles's eldest surviving son was Samuel, the son of his second marriage. This document will be further discussed in a forthcoming article on the Miles family.

Elizabeth (Dowse) Miles evidently died, possibly at New Haven, although her death is not recorded there, between 29 Jan. 1663/4, when her son John was born, and 9 Apr. 1667, when her husband married again. Samuel² Miles married (2) at New Haven, 9 Apr. 1667, Hannah³ Wilmot, who was bapt. there 21 May 1648, dau. of Benjamin² (Benjamin¹) and Elizabeth Wilmot, for whom see New Haven Genealogical Magazine, 8:1981-1982. Samuel Miles and his second wife, Hannah (Wilmot) had five more children: Samuel (d. young), Abigail, Samuel, Stephen, and Theophilus, all born at New Haven. Samuel² Miles d. intestate on 24 Dec. 1678 (see inventory dated 29 Jan. 1678/9 in N. E. H. G. Register, 81:128) and his widow Hannah (Wilmot) Miles married (2) at New Haven, 20 Sept. 1681, Miles² Merwin, Jr., of Milford, by whom she had three children. Hannah's date of death has not been found.

It has been suggested in the past that Samuel² and Elizabeth (Dowse) Miles must have been divorced, and that Elizabeth married a second time. This is not true, and it is well to quash such stories completely at the present time. Savage (*Genealogical Dictionary*, 2:68 and 3:57) claimed that Elizabeth (Dowse) widow of Samuel Miles married, secondly, 18 June 1674, Thomas Larkin of Charlestown, shoemaker, as his second wife. But both Dowse genealogies show that Thomas Larkin's wife was Elizabeth Dowse, b. 15 March 1647, dau. of Lawrence Dowse.

On the other hand, it is averred in Thomas Bellows Wyman, *The Genealogies and Estates of Charlestown*, 1:308 and 1:55, and 2:568, that Elizabeth (Dowse) Miles married (2) at Charlestown, 24 Dec. 1673, Thomas Hall of Woburn, Mass., by whom she had two daughters, Elizabeth, b. 14 Dec. 1674, d. in 2 weeks, and Abigail, b. 27 Aug. 1681, d. 30 Oct. 1681. Sewall's *History of Woburn* (1868), p. 616, states that Thomas Hall married ——— and had the two children mentioned above. The Ms. copy of the Middlesex County (Mass.) Court Records at the Library of the New England Historic Genealogical Society, 1:415, states that "Thomas Haul & Elizab. Miles were marved Decemb. 24th 1673," with no indication of what Elizabeth Miles this was. In T. B. Wyman's Ms. notes from Middlesex County Court Files (2 vols.) in the same Library, vol. 2, p. 183, there appears under date of 28 Nov. 1673 the testimony of John Warner that Elizabeth Miles was servant to Daniel Markham, confirmed by John Whitmore. In the records of the Superior Court of Judicature of Massachusetts (since 1786 known as the Supreme Judicial Court) in the Suffolk County Court House, Boston, Case #1836 (a warrant dated 12 Feb. 1679/80, Bethia Johnson, daughter of John Johnson of Woburn, charging Thomas Waters with assault), paper #4 contains the testimony of Thomas Hall of Woburn, aged 27, and his wife Elizabeth Hall, aged 25. From the foregoing evidence, which was kindly collected for the present writer by Mrs. Winifred Lovering Holman, it would appear that the Elizabeth Miles who married Thomas Hall of Woburn was a former servant girl, b. about 1654-5 since she was aged 25 in 1679/80, and undoubtedly married for the first time when she wed Thomas Hall in 1673. She was not only 12 years or more younger than Elizabeth (Dowse) Miles, who was b. 15 July 1642, but was also, from several indications, on a somewhat lower social scale.

11. Mary, b. about 15 Apr. 1644, bapt. at the First Church, Boston, 21 Apr. 1644, "aged about 6 days." The date of her death is not recorded, but she was living on 26 Oct. 1697, when her mother's will was made. She m. about 1667-8, John Hill of Boston, carpenter, who d. at Boston 31 Jan. 1696/7. Both John and Mary Hill received bequests in the will of Francis Dowse, and

she received bequests in the will of her mother Katherine Dowse. There is no record of will or administration for either John or Mary Hill in Suffolk Co., Mass.

Children:

1. Elizabeth Hill, b. at Boston 10 Nov. 1668.
 2. Hannah Hill, bapt. at the First Church, Boston, 12 June 1670.
 3. John Hill, b. at Boston 2 June 1673.
- iii. Hannah, b. 7 Jan. 1645/6, bapt. at the First Church, Boston, 11 Jan. 1645/6; d. at Boston 28 Apr. 1693; m. about 1665 Michael Homer of Boston. Francis Dowse remembered this daughter in his will in a curious way, "Item I Give unto my deare wife to dispose of what part of my estate she pleaseth unto my daughter Hannah Homer." Katherine Dowse did not mention any Homers in her will in 1697. For an excellent and detailed account of the early Homers of Boston, see the recent article by Mrs. Kinifred Lovering Holman, *ante*, vol. 29, pp. 8-12, 99-110. She supposed that Michael Homer and Capt. John Homer of Boston might be brothers (Capt. John named a son Michael), and was doubtless influenced in that supposition by the fact that Michael was in the Boston region at least as early as 1674 and at that time a married adult, and that John according to his age at death (70 in 1717) in the records of Kings Chapel was born about 1647. These facts would of course make them contemporaries.

However, there seems to be no record of John in the Boston area before 13 July 1693, when he married Margerv Stevens, by whom he had 8 children; and on that very date Michael Homer, the widower as we suppose of Hannah (Dowse) Homer who had died a scant three months earlier, consoled himself by marrying (2) Mary Burroughs. If the age of John at death (70) was misstated or clumsily written and misread in the Kings Chapel entry, and intended for 50, we observe that that would make him born about 1667 instead of about 1647; would make him about 26 at marriage instead of about 46; and would make him about 41 when his youngest child was born instead of about 61. It would also permit the assumption that John was son of Michael Homer by Hannah (Dowse) Homer, or just possibly by an earlier unknown wife.

In favor of this suggestion is not merely the fact that John named a son Michael, but the more significant fact that John's son Michael in 1725 owned the Hawkins Street property which had been purchased by the earlier Michael. This may have come about by some kind of family arrangement, conveyances or quitclaims which were never recorded. It seems somewhat more probable to explain the known facts on the hypothesis that John's son Michael was grandson rather than nephew of the first Michael. It also seems simpler to postulate the error of a single figure in a single record, than to exclaim the facts by alter-

native theories.

- iv. Sarah, b. about 1 Nov. 1647, bapt. at the First Church, Boston, 7 Nov. 1647, "aged about 6 days"; d. before 2 June 1657 when her younger sister Sarah was born.
 - v. Lydia, b. in May 1650, bapt. at the First Church, Boston, 26 May 1650; d. at Boston, 6 Oct. 1654.
 - vi. Deborah, b. 1 Dec. 1651, bapt. at the First Church, Boston, 7 Dec. 1651. The date of her death is not reported. She was alive on 13 Dec. 1680, when her father made his will, in which he bequeathed to her or to her children £20 after the death of his wife. Katherine Dowse, however, mentioned no Collicotts in her will in 1697, and it is possible that she had no descendants living at that time. Deborah Dowse m. about 1670-1 Preserved² Collicott (Callicott, Collacott, Collecot, Collicutt), who was baptized at Dorchester, Mass., 28 Jan. 1648/9, and the date of whose death is also not reported. He was the son of Richard¹ Collicott, a prominent settler in Massachusetts Bay who had interests in and for a time lived in settlements in what is now Maine (see *Genealogical Dictionary of Maine and New Hampshire*, p. 158), by his second wife Thomasin. Preserved Collicott's sister Experience was the second wife of Richard² Miles, brother of Samuel² Miles who married Elizabeth Dowse (see above). Preserved Collicott was mentioned in the will of his father-in-law Francis Dowse in 1680, from whom he received ten pounds in leather. Preserved evidently died between 13 Dec. 1680, the date of that will, and 23 Apr. 1686, when his father Richard Collicott made his will, from the language of which it is evident that Preserved was deceased. There is no record of probate in Suffolk Co., Mass., for either Preserved or Deborah Collicott.
- Children:
1. Nathaniel³ Collicott, b. at Boston 6 Feb. 1671/2; evidently d. before 23 Apr. 1686 since he was not named in the will of his paternal grandfather Richard Collicott.
 2. Richard³ Collicott, b. at Boston 29 Oct. 1673. Named in the will of his paternal grandfather Richard Collicott in 1686, but not named in the will of his maternal grandmother Katherine Dowse in 1697. Perhaps he m. Ann — and had a daughter Deborah, b. at Boston 4 Mar. 1695/6.
 3. Samuel³ Collicott, birth not recorded at Boston. Named in the will of his paternal grandfather Richard Collicott in 1686, but not named in that of his maternal grandmother Katherine Dowse in 1697.
- vii. Naomi, b. 26 Oct. 1653, bapt. at the First Church, Boston, 31 Oct. 1653; d. at Boston 14 Sept. 1654.
 - viii. Lydia, b. 10 Mar. 1654/5, bapt. at the First Church, Boston, 11 Mar. 1654/5; d. at Boston 21 Apr. 1708.

She m. ca. 1671-2 Henry Ingraham or Ingram of Boston, cooper, who was b. about 1647 and d. at Boston in April 1719, being buried at King's Chapel 26 Apr. 1719, aged 72. Detailed information on Henry and Lydia (Dowse) Ingraham and their fourteen children, Deliverance, Henry, Francis, Lydia, John, Aaron, Moses, Elizabeth, Joseph, Joseph, Elizabeth, Hannah, Alice, and Henry, will be found in Donald Lines Jacobus, "Early Ingraham Families of New England," ante, vol. 19, pp. 84-87.

- ix. Sarah, b. 2 June 1657, bapt. at the First Church, Boston, 21 June 1657. The date of her death is not known. The will of Francis Dowse stated that, "Item, I Give unto my daughter Sarah Dunell Twenty pounds after the death of my wife." There is no mention of a Dunell-Dowse marriage or of a Sarah Dowse in Henry Gale Dummell, M.D., The True Genealogy of the Dummell and Dwinell Family in New England (New York, 1862), and it is evident that Sarah Dowse could not have married Michael¹ Dummell (Donnell, Dwenell, Duenell, Dwinill, etc.) of Topsfield, Mass., since that man had a wife named Mary all through the 1670's and 1680's. It is possible, however, that Sarah may have married either Benjamin² Donnell or Nathaniel² Donnell, sons of Henry¹ Donnell of York, fisherman and innkeeper (see Noyes, Libby, Davis, Genealogical Dictionary of Me. and N.H., p. 199). Sarah (Dowse) Dummell was not mentioned in the will of her mother Katherine Dowse, so she presumably d. between 1680 and 1697.

- x. Naomi, b. 30 Jan. 1658/9 and wrongly recorded as "Mary" in the Boston Town Records, but correctly bapt. as "Naomi" at the First Church, Boston, 6 Feb. 1658/9; buried at Boston 26 Oct. 1715. She m. about 1675 Matthew Collins of Boston, cooper, who was buried at Boston 15 Apr. 1719. Matthew and Naomi Collins were legatees in the will of Francis Dowse in 1680, and Naomi was a legatee in and Matthew a co-executor of the will of Katherine Dowse in 1697. John Bream of Boston, wharfmaster, petitioned for letters of administration on the estate of Matthew Collins of Boston, cooper, deceased, 24 Apr. 1719, and was appointed administrator the same day. Inventory amounted to £17 2s. 5d. and was taken 17 Apr. 1719 by William Wilson and John Cole (Probate #4170, Suffolk Co. Probate Court, Boston, Mass.).

Children:

1. Naomi Collins, b. at Boston 15 Sept. 1676; d.y.
2. Sarah Collins, b. at Boston 7 Dec. 1678.
3. Naomi Collins, b. at Boston 1 May 1680.
4. Katherine Collins, b. at Boston 10 Sept. 1683; a legatee in the will of her grandmother Katherine Dowse in 1697.
5. Matthew Collins, b. at Boston 1 May 1685; m. at Boston 24 Oct. 1706 Dorcas³ Alger (Andrew², Andrew¹), and had issue.

RECENT BOOKS

Ancestral Roots of Sixty Colonists Who Came to New England between 1623 and 1650. Supplement. By Frederick Lewis Weis, Th. D. Dublin, N.H., 1952. Cloth, 48 p. Index.

The second edition of the book to which this is the supplement was favorably reviewed *ante*, vol. 28, p. 45. A great deal of information is set forth compactly in the new slender volume. Some of the lines are new, at any rate to the present reviewer, while others have appeared in recent years in various publications. The authorities used are good, or else references are given to books or articles in which the documentation may be found.

A recent discovery (p. 20) is the origin of John, first Lord Botetourt, who is now accepted as a base son of King Edward I. Inevitably, a few corrections of the earlier volume are made. Constant study and research not only bring to light facts previously unknown, but throw doubt upon or actually disprove what were once supposed to be facts. In covering so many family lines over the course of so many generations, it is difficult to keep fully informed as to what has appeared and is currently appearing in a large number of printed sources. The compiler has made an honest effort to be accurate, and his books are more dependable than other works in this field which the reviewer has examined.

It was quite a shock to read (pp. 5, 40) that the College of Arms cannot accept Henry St. John as son of Alexander St. John. This Henry is the proved father of Oliver St. John (not Sir Oliver, we think) and grandfather of Chief-Justice Oliver St. John and of Elizabeth (St. John) Whiting. The wills of Henry of Keysoe, Beds. (1598) and of his widow Jane (1618) are available as well as that of Henry's elder childless brother Oliver (1586); the last mentions wife Margaret and brother Henry. Henry's will appointed as one of his overseers his "cozen Francis St. John of Sharnbrook." Printed Visitations of Bedfordshire give to Sir John St. John of Bletsoe a second brother, Oliver of Shernbroke who had a son Francis, and a third brother, Alexander of Thurley [Thorley] to whom is assigned an eldest son Oliver with wife Margaret. Although other sons of Alexander are not entered on the pedigree, it seems a fair inference that Henry of Keysoe was brother of the Oliver with wife Margaret, and first cousin of Francis of "Shernbroke," thus explaining the terms of the wills. One can but wonder why the College of Arms is quoted as dissatisfied with this descent and hope that the evidence against it (or further evidence in favor of it) may be presented.

The arrangement of "lines" in these books has both advantages and disadvantages, and a perfect arrangement suitable for every purpose would be nearly impossible to devise. We wish the interesting Comyn line had been included, to connect Alexander Comyn, Earl of Buchan (p. 25) with his granddaughter Alice (p. 104 of the 1951 volume) and with his half-brother's grandson, Sir John Comyn, the "Black Comyn" (p. 94 of the 1951 volume). They all go back to Richard Comyn, Lord of Badenoch, by his wife Hextilda, granddaughter of Donald Bane, king of Scots. Among many others, the Talbots share this descent, and in the earlier book, the descent of Sir John Talbot (Line 7, no. 34) from Gilbert Talbot (Line 13, no. 31) might have been shown by extending Line 95. But the ramifications are endless, and it would require many books and years of labor to include all the lines which seekers might wish to find.

Society for the History of the Germans in Maryland. Twenty-eighth Report. Baltimore, Maryland, 1953. Paper, 94 p. \$1.00. Address the Society, 1212 Cathedral Street, Baltimore 1, Maryland.

Following a chronicle of the Society by Dr. Ernest J. Becker, the late Dr. Albert B. Faust has an article on "German-American Historical Societies: Their Achievements and Limitations," and Dr. Dieter Cunz condenses into fifteen pages a vast amount of information in his interesting and well-written article, "The German Americans: Immigration and Integration." "Eighteenth Century Maryland through the Eyes of German Visitors," by Dr. Paul G. Gleis is entertaining, while Mr. Klaus G. Wust's account of "German Printing in Virginia" with a check list 1789-1834 is informative. There are other articles of historical interest, but since we usually review only genealogical publications, we select for further mention only the too-brief notes on the genealogy of the Wiesenthal family of Baltimore.

Ancestry of Colonel John Harrington Stevens and his wife Frances Helen Miller. Compiled for Helen Pendleton (Winston) Pillsbury. By Winifred Lovering Holman, S.B., F.A.S.G. Volume II, 1952. Cloth, oversize, 179 p. Indexed. Not for sale.

The compiler is one of the chosen few who can do the basic research in original sources, compile the data into an organic whole, and see the resultant volume through the press. This book maintains her reputation and adds to it. The family lines here set forth are those of Thomas³ Green of Mendon, Samuel Morse of Waretown and Medfield, Capt. Robert Badcock of Milton, Lieut. Hugh Drury of Sudbury and Boston, Peter Weare and John Gooch of York and Wells, Deacon Edmund Rice

of Sudbury (with English data on the family of his wife Thomasine Frost), John Moore of Sudbury, and Miles Tarne of Boston. Much on these early settlers and some of their more immediate descendants, derived from the primary documentary sources, is new or corrective material. The Rice and Weare data deserve special mention for their completeness, though where so much is of value, any selection for awards of merit is likely to reflect the particular interest of the student or reviewer.

The Embattled Farmers. A Massachusetts Countryside in the American Revolution. By Lee Nathaniel Newcomer. King's Crown Press, Columbia University, New York, 1953. Cloth, 274 p. Indexed. Price, \$3.50.

What was life like in Revolutionary days, not at the "Front," not in the seaboard towns subject to British raids, but in the interior of New England? The region chosen for study is central and western Massachusetts. In ten compact chapters (165 pages) various phases of the subject are discussed, and numbered notes for each chapter (63 pages) are devoted not merely to references but filled with informative matter, and there is besides a bibliography of 31 pages.

This book is recommended to all who wish to understand the underlying causes of the Revolution, which this writer correctly diagnoses as a conservative not a radical movement, with "the best people" divided between Tories and Whigs, but a good majority of them on the Whig side. More important, the effects of the war are shown, as felt by the squire, the merchant, the small-town and rural tradesman and farmer.

In a short notice it is impossible to call attention to many of the enlightening and often entertaining details given in text or notes to aid the reader's understanding of the period. There is, for example, the Yankee's dislike of a professional officer class, which extended to resentment against the Society of the Cincinnati at the conclusion of the war. Of timely interest, and perhaps warning, is the chapter on "an excess of money" and the results of an inflation which from 1777 to 1780 changed the worth of \$100 in coin (hard money) from \$105 to \$2,934 in Continental bills. Genealogists are familiar with the frequency of insolvent estates in the probate records during and for some time following the Revolutionary War.

One is impressed by the wide and intensive study of sources which preceded the writing of this book, and by the large amount of information its author has compressed into its pages. For historical background and for understanding of the currents flowing below the surface in America's "Epic Age," it is unique. The index, alas, omits many of the names mentioned in the Notes.

Guide to the Location of Genealogical and Historical Data on Oregon Pioneer Families. Compiled under the auspices of the Genealogical Forum, Portland, Oregon, by Mrs. William Irvine. Mimeographed, 7 p. Price, 25 cents plus 3 cents postage. Address Mrs. Irvine, 17007 SE Oatfield Road, Milwaukie, Oregon.

A comprehensive listing of source data and where to find the various classes of records; most useful to genealogists and lawyers seeking to trace individuals and families in Oregon. The Genealogical Forum also publishes a mimeographed Forum Exchange, containing matter of interest to its members. The Forum will welcome donations of genealogical books and magazines.

The Second Hundred and Fifty Years. The Years Since 1800 of A Group of Families of New England Heritage. By Mark Curtis Wilson, Purdue University. Lafayette, Indiana, 1952. Heavy paper, lithoprinted, 93 p. Price, \$4.00. Order from Mrs. Lyndon B. Wilson, 121 South Street, Ware, Mass. Full name index.

This is a highly original contribution to genealogical literature, a work of filial piety put together by a young entomologist. It is neither a genealogy of the descendants of an early immigrant, nor a pedigree book of a modern American tracing him back on various lines to a larger or smaller group of early immigrants. It is, rather, a family book, devoted to the author's immediate progenitors and to his kin on different sides of the family. An attempt has been made, with biographies and anecdotes, to characterize the family groups and individuals. Five charts aid in following the relationships, and there are many pictures, some good, while others should have been retouched before reproduction by this process. The book is also embellished with designs, mostly the work of the author, which add to the attractiveness of the volume.

The Willson (Wilson) family is supposed to have come to New England not long before 1800 from Scotland, and descendants of the immigrant's son, Hamilton Willson of Highgate, Vt., are completely traced. The other family groups are Roberts and Tuttle of Dover, N.H., Converse and Richardson of Brookfield, Mass., and Rogers of Fairfax, Vt.

THE FOUR SPENCER BROTHERS
THEIR ANCESTORS AND DESCENDANTS

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Chapter VII: Generations Five and Six

Complied by Donald Lines Jacobus, acknowledging aid from several
especially Mrs. William C. Clark and Mr. W. Herbert Wood

We continue here the descendants of Ensign Gerard Spencer in the fifth and sixth generations, albeit far from completely, from page 54 of the present volume. Probably we shall omit the Spencers in the October issue, as other articles are piling up and we must not devote too much space to a single family name. It is believed that one instalment in the next volume will complete the descendants of Gerard. Following that, we hope to run a final instalment, devoted to additions and corrections to the first six generations, of which many have already been received.

152. Jabez⁴ Spencer (Thomas³, Thomas², Gerard¹), born at Saybrook, Conn., in 1715/16, living in 1790; married; perhaps his wife was the Mrs. Margaret Spencer who died 1 Mar. 1789 in her 72d year (gravestone, old cemetery on mountain between Stephentown and South Berlin, N.Y.).

He settled in Groton, Conn., and appears there in deeds 1747-1770. His family was not entered in the town records; church records are lost, but he was probably a Baptist anyway. Called of Groton, he bought land in Stephentown, N.Y., 1 Apr. 1771 (Albany Deeds, 8:414). He was listed at Stephentown in the 1790 Census, with two boys under 16, and seven females.

He may be progenitor of the Spencers of Cherry Valley, Otsego Co., N.Y., one of whom was named Jabez and by 1850 Census was born in Rensselaer Co., N.Y. Others who may belong to this group were Sarah wife of James Wilson; Thomas; Elizabeth wife of Jesse Clark; Phebe (b. ca. 1777, d. 26 Jan. 1854 in 77th yr.) wife of John Wilson.

153. Joseph⁴ Spencer (Caleb³, Thomas², Gerard¹), born at Saybrook, Conn., 18 Apr. 1720, died at Westbrook, Conn., 18 Feb. 1810, aged 90 (gravestone); married in 1743, Lydia Grenell, born at Saybrook, 28 Aug. 1723, died at Westbrook, 26 Nov. 1810, aged 88 (gravestone), daughter of Pabody and Ruth (Nettleton) Grenell.

Children, born at Saybrook:

- i. Joseph⁵, b. 12 Aug. 1744; d. 15 Nov. 1793 ae. 49; m. (1) 2 Nov. 1769, Elizabeth Clark, b. 9 Apr. 1748, d. 26 June 1777, dau. of John and Elizabeth (Williams) Clark; m. (2) 5 June 1780, Lucy Post, b. 4 June 1746, d. 11 Jan. 1834 ae. 88 (g.s.), dau. of Benjamin and Marv (Colt) Post. Children by first wife:
 1. Nabby⁶, b. 14 Jan. 1770; m. at Westbrook, 21 May 1789, Beamon Clark, 2d.
 2. Elizabeth, b. 26 Mar. 1772; m. at Centerbrook, 13 Jan. 1796, Nathan Pratt.
 3. Hester, b. 24 June 1777; m. Simeon Abell.
 Children by second wife:
 4. Joseph, b. 1 May 1781; d. at Westbrook, 27 Nov. 1852 ae. 71 (g.s.); m. (1) Saba Dee, b. ca. 1784, d. 27 Aug. 1846 ae. 64 (g.s.); had 9 children; m. (2) Hannah (—) Post, who d. 17 Oct. 1865 ae. 88 (g.s.).
 5. Ezra, b. 29 Dec. 1782; d. at Mt. Pleasant, Wayne Co., Pa., 7 Jan. 1864; m. (1) Mehitabel Bushnell, who d. prob. 1813 ae. 27; m. (2) Eliza Clark.
 6. David, b. 16 Dec. 1785; bp. 29 Jan. 1786; m. Rachel Bushnell, dau. of Asa; had 11 children.
 7. George, b. 6 Oct. 1787; bp. 18 Nov. 1787; d. at Westbrook, in 1878; m. 12 Sept. 1813, Julia Pratt, dau. of Comfort and Susannah (Tiley) Pratt; had 6 children.
 8. Lucy, b. 6 Sept. 1789; bp. 11 Oct. 1789; d. 31 Oct. 1793.
- ii. Daniel, b. 2 Feb. 1746; d. 10 May 1806; m. 17 Jan. 1770, Temperance Dowd, who d. 6 Mar. 1805; left no widow or children.
- iii. Lydia, b. 22 Feb. 1748; d. 7 Apr. 1801; m. (1) 22 Mar. 1781, Elisha Platts; m. (2) 26 June 1795, Jasper Stannard.
- iv. Ruth, b. 2 Feb. 1750; d. 27 Sept. 1782; m. 21 Dec. 1768, Nathaniel Post.
- v. Hannah, b. 31 Jan. 1753; m. (1) 22 Mar. 1775, Samuel Wright, Jr.; m. (2) Noah Platts.
- vi. George, b. 17 June 1755; living 1810.
- vii. Mercv, b. 11 Jan. 1757; bp. 18 Jan. 1758; m. 19 July 1781, John Wright.
- viii. Nabby, b. 4 May 1761; bp. 7 June 1761; d. 26 Mar. 1764.
- ix. Peter, b. 31 Aug. 1763; bp. 4 Sept. 1763; rem. 1812 to Preston twp., Pa.; m. (1) 13 Apr. 1785, Jerusha Post, who d. 11 Nov. 1802 ae. 37 (g.s., Chester, Conn.); m. (2) in 1804, Lucretia Ruggles, who d. 7 Nov. 1809 ae. 37; m. (3) 12 Apr. 1810, Jerusha Buckley, prob. dau. of Conklin and Sarah (Spencer) Buckley. Children by first wife, perhaps not a complete list:
 1. John J.^o, bp. 22 July 1787; res. Guilford, Conn.; d. Aug. 1817 ae. 30; m. at Guilford, 5 July 1812, Elizabeth W. Vaill, dau. of Jonathan and Clarissa (Norton) Vaill.
 2. Richard, bp. 4 Oct. 1789.
 3. Russell, bp. 25 Aug. 1794.

4. Jerusha, bp. 18 Sept. 1796.
 x. Phebe, b. 26 May 1767; bp. 21 June 1767; m. at Centerbrook, Conn., 9 Mar. 1786, Jacob Turner.

154. Caleb⁴ Spencer (Caleb³, Thomas², Gerard¹), born at Saybrook, Conn., 8 Dec. 1724, died there 30 Sept. 1783; married at Branford, Conn., 17 Jan. 1769, Hannah (Goodrich) Stokes, born about 1733, died 29 Dec. 1791 in 58th year (gravestone), daughter of Bartholomew and Abigail (Thompson) Goodrich of Branford, widow of Jonathan Stokes. Hannah is also called Johanna.

Children:

- i. Caleb⁵, b. ca. 1770; d. unm.
- ii. Timothy, b. ca. 1772; d. at Westbrook, Conn., 13 Jan. 1849 ae. 77 (g.s.); m. Polly Bushnell, b. ca. 1783, d. 25 Nov. 1820 ae. 37 (g.s.). Children:
 1. Mariette⁶, b. 1806; m. Martin Dowd of Madison, Conn.
 2. Emeline, b. 1807; m. George Spencer of Toledo, Ohio.
 3. Frederick Wilcox, b. 7 Jan. 1810; d. at Westbrook, 6 Oct. 1898; m. 21 Aug. 1836, Ann Eliza Kirtland, b. 26 Aug. 1814, d. 26 Apr. 1896, dau. of Philip.
 4. Joseph Whittlesey, b. 1812; d. at New York, N. Y., 23 May 1900; a sea captain; m. 2 Sept. 1838, Amelia A. Stokes, b. 18 Feb. 1815, d. ca. 1890.
 5. Alfred Goodrich, b. 9 July 1814; d. at Westbrook, 2 June 1880 (g.s.); m. 14 Sept. 1840, Diana Magne, b. 18 Apr. 1816, d. 2 Jan. 1894.
 6. Eloise, b. 1816; m. William M. Kirtland.
 7. Harriet, b. 1820; d. at Clinton, Conn.; m. Giles Grinell.
- iii. John, b. ca. 1774; "went west with family about 1820." He is, we think, the John who m. (1) at Madison, Conn., 29 Feb. 1798, Elizabeth Wilcox, b. ca. 1774, d. 29 Apr. 1803 ae. 28, dau. of Ezra and Esther (Meigs) Wilcox; no issue; and m. (2) ca. 1809, Alma Harrison, b. at Branford, Conn., ca. 1786, d. 1882, dau. of David Foote and Zuba (Monroe) Harrison; this John d. at Oxford, Butler Co., Ohio, 1825. Children by second wife:
 1. John⁶, b. July 1811; d. 1830.
 2. Roger, b. June 1814.
 3. Henry, b. 1816.
 4. Marv Elizabeth, b. Oct. 1818; m. 3 Mar. 1836, Albert Miller.
 5. Harriet M., b. Mar. 1821.
 6. Roderick R., b. May 1823.

155. John⁴ Spencer (Caleb³, Thomas², Gerard¹), born at Saybrook, Conn., 15 Feb. 1730, died at Clinton, Conn., in 1809 (administration 6 June 1809); married first,

perhaps by 1756, Abigail (Chatfield) Buell, born at Killingworth, Conn., 14 Mar. 1721, died at Clinton, 4 June 1778 in 58th year (gravestone), daughter of John Chatfield, and widow of John Buell by whom she had several children; married second, at Killingworth, 4 Sept. 1783, Martha Wilcox, born there 6 Jan. 1762, died by 1788, daughter of Elijah and Sarah (Wilcox) Wilcox; married third, at Clinton, 16 July 1788, Dothy Stevens, born about 1762, died at Clinton, 6 Apr. 1835, aged 73.

The marriage record of John is remarkable and our conclusions are not positively proved though extremely probable. Saybrook deeds show that John (born 1730) was of Saybrook 1752, and of Killingworth, 1784, 1786, and 1791 [Saybrook Deeds, 9:364, 488; 11:33]. He settled in the south part of Killingworth, now Clinton, and the deeds there prove his marriage to Abigail (Chatfield) Buell, a woman much older than himself. She had married 4 July 1739 John Buell, who died 13 Nov. 1752 aged 35 (gravestone, Clinton), and one of her six children by him was Abel Buell the engraver.

Nothing in the records indicates the presence in the town of a second and younger John Spencer, so we must suppose it to be the same man who had the two subsequent marriages and children by them. Only one John Spencer was listed in Killingworth in the 1790 Census, having then a boy under 16 and three females; and in 1800 he was over 45 (hence certainly born before 1755), with three boys under 10, a boy 10 to 16, and a youth 16 to 26, together with assorted females, one under 10. The children are named in probate, and the son John was of Guilford when he conveyed as administrator.

Child by second wife:

- i. John⁵, b. 18 Aug. 1784; d. at Mt. Morris, Livingston Co., N.Y., 4 Sept. 1838; m. 16 Dec. 1807, Elizabeth Coe, b. 30 Jan. 1784, d. at Chicago, Ill., 31 Aug. 1867, dau. of Thomas and Submit (Griswold) Coe. In 1807 he conveyed as John "Jr." of Killingworth right from grandfather Elijah Wilcox, but in 1810 was of Guilford and in 1837 of Mt. Morris, N.Y. (Killingworth Deeds, 17:333; 19:74; 26:549). Children, the first four bp. at Madison, Conn.:
 1. Marv Ann⁶, bp. Jan. 1810.
 2. Elizabeth, bp. June 1812.
 3. William Henry, bp. by Apr. 1814.
 4. Samuel, bp. June 1816.
 5. Adela Maria.

Children by third wife:

- ii. Elias, b. ca. 1789 (ae. 62 in 1850 Census).
- iii. James, b. 9 Oct. 1792; d. at Clinton, 24 June 1837 ae. 41 (g.s.); m. Nancy —, who d. 10 Sept. 1870 ae. 71 (g.s.).

- iv. Joseph, b. 20 Sept. 1794.
- v. Benjamin, b. 1796 (g.s.); d. 1863 (g.s., Clinton).
- vi. Hannah, b. perhaps 1798; a Hannah d. at Clinton, 23 Jan. 1863 ae. 64 (g.s.).
- vii. Stephen B., b. ca. 1805 (aged 44 in 1850 Census).

156. John⁴ Spencer (John³, Samuel², Gerard¹), born at East Haddam, Conn., 24 Jan. 1708/9, died there 20 Oct. 1770, aged 62 (gravestone); married at Colchester, Conn., 27 Dec. 1739, Mary Green.

No issue. His will, dated 2 Oct. 1770, proved 5 Nov. 1770, named wife Mary; nephew John Spencer; the free schools in East Haddam.

157. Peter⁴ Spencer (John³, Samuel², Gerard¹), born at East Haddam, Conn., about 1711, died ; married first, at Colchester, Conn., 4 June 1741, Hannah Brown, born at Colchester, 25 Jan. 1718, died at East Haddam, May 1749, daughter of William Brown; married second, at East Haddam, 1 Feb. 1750, Elizabeth Emmons, born at East Haddam, 6 Mar. 1724, died , daughter of Samuel Jr. and Ruth (Cone) Emmons.

Children by first wife, born at East Haddam:

- i. Hannah⁵, b. 10 Oct. 1742; bp. 23 Mar. 1746; m. at Colchester, 5 Jan. 1763, Joseph Whay.
- ii. Asa, b. 14 June 1744; bp. 23 Mar. 1746; d. it is said in Revolutionary War; m. 12 Sept. 1763, Deborah Patterson. She m. (2) Jesse Willev.
- iii. Elizabeth, b. 20 July 1746; bp. 24 Aug. 1746; m. — Driggs.
- iv. Abner, b. May 1748; bp. 26 June 1748; d. Oct. 1749.

Children by second wife, born at East Haddam:

- v. Abner, b. 4 Jan. 1751; bp. 17 Feb. 1751; joined church 19 Feb. 1769. Not traced.
- vi. Peter, b. 30 Nov. 1755 (1754); bp. 1 Dec. 1754; d. at Lebanon, Conn., in 1790; m. 6 Mar. 1776, Mehitabel Cone, b. 13 Sept. 1760, dau. of Sylvanus and Hannah (Ackley) Cone. She m. (2) Simon Williams of Exeter. Listed at Lebanon in 1790 Census, 3 males over 16, 5 males under 16, 3 females, this must refer to his father; for adm'n was granted 1 Feb. 1790 to Mehitabel Spencer; an account mentions support of a child 1 1/2 yrs. old; and a list of debts shows "Peter Spencer ye elder" as a creditor.
- vii. Ruth, b. 16 May 1757; bp. 12 June 1757; d. ca. 1810; m. 25 July 1776, Jeremiah Cone, b. 17 Feb. 1750, d. in 1820.
- viii. Marv, b. 19 May 1759; bp. 17 June 1759.
- ix. Anne, b. 17 Mar. 1761; bp. 12 Apr. 1761.
- x. Ezra, bp. 27 Mar. 1763.
- xi. Daniel, b. 22 Aug. 1764 (family record); bp. 16 Sept. 1764; d. at Nauvoo, Ill., 26 Nov. 1844; m. 9 Jan.

1788, Chloe Wilson. This identification, we are convinced, is correct, and replaces the suggestion made under No. 93, iii, 1 (vol. 28, p. 126). Eleven children, of whom the first nine were recorded at West Stockbridge, Mass.:

1. Augustin², b. 22 Dec. 1788.
 2. Sochia, b. 6 Apr. 1791.
 3. Theron, b. 23 Oct. 1792.
 4. Daniel, b. 20 July 1794.
 5. Selecte, b. 15 Apr. 1796.
 6. Hyrum, b. 30 Nov. 1798.
 7. Claudius V., b. 26 May 1800.
 8. Orson, b. 13 May 1802.
 9. Chloe, b. 9 Mar. 1804.
- xii. Dorothy, bp. 8 Nov. 1767; d. at West Stockbridge, Mass., 26 Apr. 1813 ae. 46 (g.s., South Cemetery, which names her parents Peter and Elizabeth).

Note: Peter's daughters Hannah Whay and Elizabeth Driggs are mentioned under these married names in Brown probate. Did Elizabeth m. (1) as "Betty" Spencer, at Colchester, 12 July 1764, Niles Taylor? Or who was that Betty? The sons Asa and Abner may have been responsible for certain Spencers who appear in Millington Parish in the next generation, such as:

- Sylvester, m. Millington, 25 June 1794, Sally Beebe.
 Eli (Ely), m. 15 Oct. 1795, Olive Huntley of Lyme.
 Asa, b. ca. 1774, d. 1 Aug. 1828 ae. 54, m. (1) 23 Aug. 1799, Polly Acklev; m. (2) 18 Jan. 1816, Hannah Brotherhood.

158. Capt. Ebenezer⁴ Spencer (John³, Samuel², Gerard¹), born at East Haddam, Conn., 1 Feb. 1720/1, died there 2 Aug. 1796, aged 75 (gravestone); married at East Haddam, 6 Mar. 1745/6, Hannah Gates, born there 16 Nov. 1719, died there in 1801, daughter of Joseph and Hannah (Brainard) Gates.

Children, born at East Haddam:

- i. Hannah⁵, b. 27 Mar. 1747.
- ii. David, b. 17 Oct. 1748; d. 19 May 1833 ae. 84 (g.s.); Lieut.; m. Lydia Goold of Lyme, b. 5 Jan. 1748, d. 17 Nov. 1803 ae. 55, dau. of James and Elizabeth (Chappell) Goold of Lebanon.
- iii. John, b. 21 June 1750; settled in Middlefield, Mass.; d. at Aurora, Ohio, 19 Jan. 1824; m. at East Haddam, 28 Oct. 1772, Susannah White, b. 5 Oct. 1749. He was Brig.-Gen. in the Revolution from East Haddam. Children, first five b. at East Haddam, the rest at Middlefield:
 1. John⁶, b. 17 Oct. 1773; d. at Middlefield, 18 Aug. 1831 ae. 57; m. 23 Nov. 1800, Sally Root, b. Mar. 1776, d. 11 Nov. 1866, dau. of Thomas and Alice (Pease) Root.
 2. Molly, b. 23 July 1775; m. at Middlefield, 27 Jan. 1803, James Coates.
 3. Oliver, b. 25 Aug. 1777; d. at Middlefield, 24 Sept. 1798 ae. 21.

4. Samuel White, b. 8 Oct. 1779; d. at Middlefield, June 1852; m. (1) 18 Dec. 1800, Lucy Fisk of Partridgefield, b. 1780, d. at Hinsdale, Mass., 16 June 1829 ae. 50; had 11 children; m. (2) Elizabeth Herrick.
5. Susannah, b. 12 Sept. 1781; m. at Middlefield, 19 Sept. 1811, Warren Little.
6. Anna, b. 18 Aug. 1783; m. at Middlefield, 2 Oct. 1803, Epaphroditus Loveland; rem. to Aurora, Ohio.
7. Brainerd, b. 2 July 1785; rem. 1812 to Aurora, Ohio.
8. George, b. 6 Oct. 1787.
9. Selden, b. 10 Feb. 1790; d. at Northampton, Mass., 24 Mar. 1827 ae. 37; Colonel; m. at Middlefield, 13 May 1813, Lucy Mack, who d. 9 Dec. 1841 ae. 52.
- iv. Sarah, b. 26 Aug. 1752; m. 24 Sept. 1772, Ezra Randall.
- v. Susannah, b. 19 Sept. 1754; d. at Hamilton, N.Y., 29 Apr. 1820 in 66th yr.; m. 19 Feb. 1775, Ephraim Gates, b. 13 Dec. 1749, d. at Hamilton, N.Y., 13 Dec. 1829, son of Judah and Lydia (Hurd) Gates.
- vi. Ebenezer, b. 13 Mar. 1757; d. at Tolland, Conn., 21 Feb. 1808 in 50th yr.; Colonel; m. at Tolland, 9 May 1781, Chloe West, who d. 9 Aug. 1805 in 50th yr. Children, b. at Tolland:
 1. Chloe^c, b. 2 Mar. 1782; d. 24 Sept. 1807 in 25th yr.
 2. Ruth, b. 23 June 1783; d. 19 Jan. 1784.
 3. Ebenezer, b. 8 Jan. 1785; d. 23 May 1801 in 17th yr.
 4. Polly, b. 2 July 1786; m. Increase Clapp.
 5. George, b. 12 Jan. 1788; d. at Hartford, between 30 Sept. and 14 Oct. 1820, unm.
 6. Charles, b. 25 Dec. 1790.
 7. Joseph Gates, b. ca. 1793; d. at Norwich, Vt., 1 Sept. 1829 ae. 36; m. at Sharon, Vt., 10 Jan. 1816, Persis Fuller, b. at Malden, Mass., d. at Norwich, Vt., 7 Feb. 1879 ae. 89 yrs. 15 days, dau. of William and Deborah Fuller.
 8. Betsey, b. 29 Sept. 1796; d. 21 Feb. 1800.
 9. Otis S., b. 3 Sept. 1798.
- vii. Ephraim, b. 31 Jan. 1759; d. at Litchfield, Conn., 16 May 1828 ae. 69; m. at Litchfield, 4 June 1782, Sarah Stoddard, b. ca. 1763, d. 8 June 1830 ae. 66, dau. of Aaron and Philena Stoddard. He enlisted in 1777 in Capt. Eliphalet Holmes's Co., 1st Conn. Cont'l Regt. Children, b. at Litchfield:
 1. Aaron^c, b. 19 Jan. 1783; d. 29 Oct. 1806 ae. 23; m. Sarah Plumb, b. 19 Oct. 1784, dau. of Ezra Jr. and Sarah (Woodruff) Plumb. She m. (2) 21 Aug. 1808, Noah Beach.
 2. Alban, b. 13 Jan. 1785; d. 1861; m. 19 Jan. 1807, Abigail Griswold, b. 1790, d. 1874.
 3. Clarissa, b. 25 Aug. 1790; d. 29 Sept. 1793 ae. 3 (g.s.).

4. Ephraim, b. 15 Feb. 1793; d. in Camden, Oneida Co., N.Y., 25 Apr. 1853 ae. 60; m. at Litchfield, 26 Oct. 1822, Cordelia Wooden, b. at West Stockbridge, Mass., ca. 1803, living 1850; rem. to Camden, 1831; had 11 children.
5. Elias, b. 22 Mar. 1795; d. at Nelsonville, Athens Co., Ohio, before 4 May 1831; m. Aurilla —; had 2 children.
6. Sally, b. 14 Nov. 1796; m. at Litchfield, 6 Mar. 1820, Truman Westover, b. 28 Aug. 1797, d. 6 Nov. 1825 ae. 28 (g.s.).
7. Sylvester, b. 3 Jan. 1799; res. (1857) Litchfield; m. at Torrington, Conn., 6 Dec. 1821, Lucinda Phelps, b. at Torrington, ca. 1804, dau. of Capt. Benjamin and Lydia (Grant) Phelps.
8. Ebenezer, b. 16 Aug. 1801; d. 27 Oct. 1840 ae. 40; m. 4 Mar. 1823, Hannah Merrill or Merritt.
9. William Stoddard, b. 18 July 1803.
10. Truman, b. 3 Jan. 1806; d. at Camden, N.Y., 7 Dec. 1854; m. Apr. 1828, Electa Merriman of Litchfield, who d. at Camden, 5 Oct. 1862 ae. 59; had 2 children.
11. Solon, b. 11 Oct. 1810.
- viii. Emmons, b. 3 July 1761; in 1790 was of Partridgefield (now Peru), Mass., with a boy under 16 and 4 females; m. 31 Jan. 1781, Mary Higgins. Children:
 1. A twin⁶, b. and d. 3 June 1781.
 2. A twin, b. 3 June 1781; d. 11 June 1781.
 3. (perhaps) Sally, d. 4 Oct. 1829; m. at Peru, 13 Nov. 1806, William Brown.
 4. Polly, d. at Peru, 24 Oct. 1813.
 5. Edward, went from Mass. at an early age to Wilna, Jefferson Co., N.Y.; m. Polly Maynard, dau. of William and Lucy (Balcom) Maynard.
 6. Erastus, b. at Peru, 29 Nov. 1790.

159. Samuel⁴ Spencer (Isaac³, Samuel², Gerard¹), born at East Haddam, Conn., 10 July 1708, died there 4 Sept. 1757; married first, at East Haddam, 19 Dec. 1732, Jerusha Brainerd, born at Haddam, 21 Apr. 1714, died at East Haddam, 13 July 1747 in 34th year (gravestone), daughter of Hezekiah and Dorothy (Hobart) (Mason) Brainerd; married second, 9 Apr. 1751, Hannah Hawley, born 17 Nov. 1725, died —, daughter of Jehiel and Hope (Stow) Hawley.

Children by first wife, born at East Haddam:

- i. Samuel⁵, b. 21 Jan. 1734; d. near Wadesboro, N.C., Aug. 1794; m. in 1766, Sybil Pegues, b. Jan. 1744, dau. of Claudius and — (Butler) Pegues, of Huguenot stock. He was educated at Princeton, and received an LL.D. from his Alma Mater in 1783. He was Representative from Anson County, N.C., at the Pro-

vincial Congress, 25 Aug. 1774; of the Salisbury District at the Provincial Council, 20 Aug. 1775; and of Anson County at the Provincial Congress, 4 Apr. 1776. In 1775 appointed Colonel of Anson County Troops; Clerk of Court, Anson County, and in 1777 when the Superior Court of N.C. was set up, was one of the first three Judges appointed; member of the Board of Trustees, Univ. of N.C., 1789-90. Child:

1. Mary^o, b. 25 June 1770; m. June 1782 (at age of 12), Isaac Jackson, b. 10 Mar. 1762, d. at Huntsville, Ala., 13 June 1831, son of John and Hulda Jackson; had 3 children.
- ii. Dorothy, b. 28 Apr. 1735; d. 25 May 1791; m. 15 May 1755, Maj. Daniel Cone, of East Haddam, b. 21 Jan. 1733, d. 11 Nov. 1788.
- iii. Oliver, b. 6 Oct. 1736; d. 22 Jan. 1811; res. Elizabethtown, N.J.; m. 22 Jan. 1758, Anna Ogden, b. 29 Dec. 1740, d. 25 May 1823, dau. of Robert and Phebe (Hatfield) Ogden. Children:
 1. Robert^o, b. 2 Apr. 1759; d. at sea, 1787; m. Deborah Hetfield.
 2. Elizabeth, b. 5 May 1761; d. 15 Aug. 1839; m. Ebenezer Blatchley.
 3. Jerusha, b. ca. 1765; d. 9 Oct. 1787, unm.
 4. Nancy, b. Aug. 1768; d. 11 Aug. 1842; m. Caleb Halstead.
 5. Sophia B., b. ca. 1774; d. 10 Feb. 1846; m. Mahlon Ford.
 6. Sarah Blomfield, b. 7 May 1777; d. 24 Feb. 1851; m. Nathaniel Evans.
 7. Dorothea C., b. 11 Sept. 1779; d. 4 Nov. 1841; m. Col. Edward Meeks.
 8. Oliver Marlborough, b. 14 Sept. 1781; d. 30 May 1838; m. Electa Oliver.
 9. Mary Stockton, d. ae. 19.
- iv. Mehitabel, b. 15 June 1738.
- v. Asa, b. 19 Jan. 1739/40; d. 29 Oct. 1743.
- vi. Jerusha, b. 11 Sept. 1741; d. 5 Nov. 1743.
- vii. Rebecca, b. 6 Apr. 1743; m. 5 June 1764, Martin Cone, b. 15 May 1742.
- viii. David Brainerd, b. 22 Jan. 1744/5; d. at East Haddam, 2 May 1795; m. (1) at East Haddam, 2 Feb. 1769, Huldah Brainerd, b. 14 Feb. 1744/5, d. 23 Jan. 1783, dau. of Joshua and Mehitabel (Church) Brainerd; m. (2) 24 June 1783, Mary Fuller, b. 27 Sept. 1761, dau. of Thomas and Mary (Green) (Hosmer) Fuller; m. (3) 3 Mar. 1792, Avis (Hosmer) Hyde, dau. of Robert and Mary (Green) Hosmer. He was an officer of the Revolution, attaining the rank of Colonel. Children by first wife, b. at East Haddam:
 1. Samuel^o, b. 29 Apr. 1771; m. (1) 22 Sept. 1795, Anna Olmstead; m. (2) Statira Hall.
 2. Dorothy, b. 21 Nov. 1772; m. Gibbons Jewett, Jr.
 Children by second wife, b. at East Haddam:
 3. Huldah, b. 23 Mar. 1784.

4. Mary, b. 8 July 1785; m. Ephraim Gates.
5. David Brainerd, b. 22 Mar. 1787; m. Amelia Tappan.
6. Jerusha, b. 13 Feb. 1789.
- 7? Oliver Fuller, a child of the second wife, was b. after her divorce, May 1790.
Child by third wife, b. at East Haddam:
8. Robert, b. 8 Aug. 1793.
- ix. Luke, b. 28 Jan. 1746; d. 30 June 1747.

Children by second wife, born at East Haddam:

- x. Luke, b. 15 Dec. 1751.
 - xi. Calvin, b. 27 Sept. 1753; d. in Chesterfield Co., S.C., Jan. 1801; m. in Colleton Co., S.C., in 1782, Rebecca Ford, b. ca. 1764, d. 14 Oct. 1843, dau. of George and (?Ann Shaw) Ford; she m. (2) Thomas Powe. He served in 1780 as Ass't Quartermaster-General with the rank of Captain, and after the War was Colonel of the Cheraw Brigade, No. 9, S.C. Militia; Representative for St. David's Parish, 1784 and 1786; Justice in Chesterfield County, 1785, and a County Judge 1791. He acquired large tracts in this county, in the aggregate 30,000 acres. Children:
 1. Eliza^o, b. 27 Feb. 1783; m. Alexander Powe, son of Thomas and Rachel (Allen) Powe of Cheraw District, S.C.
 2. Samuel, b. 13 Sept. 1784; m. Mary Ellerbe.
 3. Ann Shaw, b. 13 Jan. 1786; m. (1) William McKerrall; m. (2) Walter R. —.
 4. Hannah Hawley, b. 4 July 1787; d. before 1845; m. (1) George Ford of Georgetown, S.C.; had 2 daus.; m. (2) Nov. 1827, Peter Lord Robeson.
 5. Mary Percival, b. 24 Nov. 1788; d. 3 Mar. 1826; m. 24 Nov. 1806, Peter Lord Robeson, b. 23 Nov. 1785, d. 31 Mar. 1851, son of Capt. Peter and Elizabeth (Lord) Robeson of Bladen Co., N.C.; had 10 children.
 6. Calvin, b. 28 May 1790.
 7. George Ford, b. 10 Mar. 1792.
 8. John Calvin, b. 23 July 1794.
 9. Henry Selden, b. 27 Feb. 1796; d. 3 Aug. 1844; m. Eliza O'Neil Hall, dau. of Roger S. and Mary (Robeson) Hall; had 2 children.
 10. Harriet Caroline, b. 18 Apr. 1797.
 11. William Ford, b. 13 Mar. 1799; m. Lucy Thaxton.
 12. Oliver Hawes, b. 7 June 1800; d. 17 Feb. 1872; m. 18 Aug. 1822, Sarah J. A. Causey, b. in N.C., 6 Dec. 1803, d. 5 Feb. 1883; had 14 children.
 - xii. Ichabod Stow Selden, b. 13 Sept. 1755.
160. Maj.-Gen. Joseph⁴ Spencer (Isaac³, Samuel², Gerard¹), born at East Haddam, Conn., 3 Oct. 1714, died

there 13 Jan. 1789; married first, at East Haddam, 2 Aug. 1738, Martha Brainerd, born there 1 Sept. 1716, died there 11 Oct. 1754 in 39th year (gravestone), daughter of Hezekiah and Dorothy (Hobart) Brainerd; married second, in 1756, Hannah (Brown) Southmayd, born ca. 1730, died 10 Nov. 1808 in 79th year, daughter of Samuel and Johanna (Loomis) Brown, widow of Daniel Southmayd of Waterbury, Conn.

Children by first wife, born at East Haddam (Millington):

1. Martha⁵, b. 8 May 1739; d. 24 Feb. 1739/40.
- ii. Martha, b. ca. 1740; d. 3 May 1796; m. (1) 14 June 1759, Joseph Cone, b. 2 Nov. 1735, d. in a naval engagement, 1779; m. (2) 31 Oct. 1773, Capt. Joshua Brainerd, b. 20 May 1708, d. 27 Mar. 1777.
- iii. Hobart, b. ca. 1742; d. at Canaan, Vt., in 1806; m. (1) at East Haddam, 22 Aug. 1763, Eunice Barnes, b. at East Haddam, 20 May 1746, d. at Campton, N.H., 30 Mar. 1775, dau. of Samuel and Lucy (Cone) Barnes; m. (2) at Litchfield, N.H., 14 Dec. 1778, Martha Farmer; m. (3) at Plymouth, N.H., 8 May 1795, Betsey Hazen. Children by first wife, first three b. at East Haddam, others at Campton:
 1. Anna⁶, b. 1 Dec. 1763; m. James Ramsey.
 2. Israel Brainard, b. 28 Sept. 1765; d. at Williamstown, N.Y., after 1818; a physician; m. in 1790, Polly Waugh of Litchfield; had 10 children.
 3. Eunice, b. 6 Aug. 1767.
 4. Esther, b. 17 Sept. 1769; d. 6 Dec. 1833; m. John Weeks, b. 26 Oct. 1762, d. 3 Jan. 1841.
 5. Nehemiah, b. 20 Sept. 1771.
 6. Virtue, b. 30 Mar. 1775; m. in 1797, Samuel Emerson.
- Child by third wife:
 7. Clarissa, b. 17 Nov. 1795.
- iv. Anna, bp. 30 Mar. 1746.
- v. Israel Brainard, bp. 10 July 1748; d. young.
- vi. Joseph, bp. 22 July 1750; d. at Vienna, Va., 11 May 1824; m. ¹ Sept. 1777, Deborah Selden, b. 29 Dec. 1753, d. at Vienna, Va., 25 Aug. 1825, dau. of Col. Samuel and Elizabeth (Ely) Selden. He was a physician. They removed ca. 1793 to Wood Co., Va. Children, first seven b. in Conn.:
 1. Samuel Selden⁶, b. at Lyme, 7 Sept. 1778; d. at Parkersburg, Va., 27 July 1832; m. 10 July 1814, Prudence Cook, b. 6 Mar. 1788, d. 10 Aug. 1877 ae. 89, dau. of Capt. Joseph and Elizabeth (Barker) Cook; had 5 children.
 2. Joseph Dudley, b. 7 Aug. 1780; d. 25 Aug. 1817.
 3. Martha Brainerd, b. at Lebanon, 18 Jan. 1782 (g.s.); d. at Marietta, Ohio, 10 Jan. 1852 (g.s.); m. in Va., 20 May 1798, Stephen Radcliff Wilson, son of Col. Benjamin Wilson.

4. Deborah, b. 26 Sept. 1784; d. 19 July 1815; m. 26 May 1800, Rev. Matthew Green Wallace of Indiana.
 5. William Selden, b. 21 May 1786; d. 10 Feb. 1869.
 6. Elizabeth, b. 27 Sept. 1788; m. 26 May 1806, Gen. Lewis Cass, b. at Exeter, N.H., 9 Oct. 1782, d. 17 June 1866.
 7. George Selden, b. 4 Mar. 1790; d. at Camargo Plantation in Catahoula, La., 1863-4; m. ca. 1819, Nancy Stone, who d. 1858; had 10 children.
 8. Charles, b. 22 Jan. 1792; d. 17 June 1802.
 9. David Brainerd, b. 19 Apr. 1794; d. at Marietta, Ohio, 1856.
 10. Rowena (twin), b. 31 Mar. 1796; d. 24 Jan. 1842; m. 22 Apr. 1815, Judge Arius Nye, b. at Marietta, Ohio, 27 Dec. 1792, d. there 27 July 1865.
 11. Marv Sophia (twin), b. 31 Mar. 1796; d. 25 Dec. 1876; m. at Detroit, Mich., 29 May 1822, Gen. John Elliot Hunt, b. at Fort Wayne, Ind., 11 Apr. 1798, d. 22 July 1877.
- vii. Nehemiah, bp. 24 Dec. 1752; d. ae. 17.

Children by second wife, born at East Haddam:

- viii. Millicent, b. 20 Mar. 1757; d. 25 Oct. 1832; m. 18 Jan. 1813, as his third wife, Rev. Elijah Parsons, b. at Northampton, Mass., 20 Mar. 1747, d. at East Haddam, 17 Jan. 1827.
- ix. Isaac, b. 12 Oct. 1759; m. 15 Nov. 1781, Lucretia Colt of Lyme. Children (record incomplete), b. at East Haddam:
 1. William Henry⁶, b. 29 Nov. 1782.
 2. Elihu, b. 26 Jan. 1785.
 3. Isaac, b. 26 Apr. 1787.
 4. Joseph, b. 29 Dec. 1789.
 5. Edwin, b. 13 Nov. 1798.
- x. Jared (twin), b. 5 June 1762; d. 11 Nov. 1820; Yale Coll. 1784; m. 29 Nov. 1789, Ann Green, b. at East Haddam, 13 Feb. 1768, d. 11 Nov. 1855, dau. of James Green. Children:
 1. Nancy⁶, b. 29 May 1791; m. 27 Oct. 1819, Thomas Bunce of Middletown.
 2. Polly (twin), b. 12 Sept. 1793; d. 7 Sept. 1860.
 3. Lucretia (twin), b. 12 Sept. 1793; d. 26 Apr. 1858.
 4. Richard Green, bo. 4 May 1800; lived in Canada and d. 29 July 1834; m. 4 Sept. 1825, Sophia Lake.
- xi. Mary (twin), b. 5 June 1762; m. 18 Sept. 1788, Turner Miner.
- xii. Seth, b. 20 Jan. 1765.
- xiii. Hannah, b. 15 Nov. 1767; m. 19 Nov. 1794, Rev. Ichabod Lord Skinner, Yale Coll. 1793, b. at Colchester, Conn., 2 Sept. 1767, d. at Brooklyn, N.Y., 29 Jan.

1852.

- xiv. Betsey, b. 18 Mar. 1770; m. at East Haddam, 4 Jan. 1827, as his second wife, Capt. Selden Warner, Yale Coll. 1782, b. at Hadlyme, 20 Oct. 1760, d. there 1 Mar. 1843.
- xv. Nehemiah, bp. 24 May 1772; killed at Towanda, Pa., in 1839, by a horse he was riding falling on him; m. 14 Feb. 1793, Betsey Swan. He lived at many places for brief periods; in 1819 went to Orwell, Bradford Co., Pa., and later to Shehequin and finally Wysox, Pa. Eight children, of whom:
 - 1. Hannah B.⁶, b. 1799; d. 1841; m. Henry Ranson, b. 1791.
 - 2. Mary Ann, b. 1806; d. 1883; m. 1834, David Cash, b. 1794, d. 1864.
 - 3. Elijah Cicero, b. at Bridgewater, Susquehanna Co., Pa., 15 Jan. 1817; d. in Wysox twp., 17 Sept. 1893; m. 5 Dec. 1841, Mary Jane Bull, b. 22 Dec. 1818, d. 26 Jan. 1907, dau. of John and Polly (Lent) Bull; had 9 children.

161. Jared⁴ Spencer (Isaac³, Samuel², Gerard¹), born at East Haddam, Conn., 5 Nov. 1718, died (it is said) at East Windsor, Conn., on his return from New Hampshire.

No probate has been found in the files at the State Library, Hartford. We have at the moment no details as to Jared's family, if any. If a family shall be located, it will be given in a later instalment.

162. Rev. Elihu⁴ Spencer, D.D. (Isaac³, Samuel², Gerard¹), born at East Haddam, Conn., 12 Feb. 1721, died at Trenton, N.J., 27 Dec. 1784; married 15 Oct. 1750, Joanna Eaton, born about 1728, died at Trenton, 1 Nov. 1791, aged 63.

He was graduated at Yale Coll., 1746; became a professor and Trustee of College of New Jersey (Princeton) and pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Trenton.

Children:

- i. Annie⁵, b. 1751; d. 1751.
- ii. Annie, b. 1752.
- iii. Sarah, b. 1755; d. 1780; m. Stephen Lowry.
- iv. Mary, b. 1757; d. 1757.
- v. Margaret, b. 5 Jan. 1759; d. 17 June 1787; m. 4 Mar. 1775, Jonathan Dickinson Sergeant. Their granddau. Margaretta Sergeant was wife of Gen. George Gordon Meade, of the Civil War.
- vi. Elizabeth, b. 1761; m. George Merchant.
- vii. Valeria, b. 1763; m. Richard Fullerton.
- viii. Lydia, b. 1766; m. William McFunn Biddle.
- ix. John Eaton, b. 1767; m. Charlotte Wright.
- x. Elihu, b. 1770; d. 1770.
- xi. Joanna, b. 1773; d. 1773.

163. Isaac⁴ Spencer (Isaac³, Samuel², Gerard¹), born at East Haddam, Conn., 3 May 1723, died at Waterbury, Conn., in 1787; married about 1750, Temperance Goodspeed, born about 1725, died at Waterbury, 7 Feb. 1807, aged 82.

He settled about 1756 in the part of Waterbury which is now Prospect; his widow died in the section which is now Naugatuck, perhaps at the home of her son Calvin.

Children:

- i. Temperance⁵, b. ca. 1751; d. at Waterbury, 31 May 1785; m. 30 May 1776, Maj. Samuel Bronson, b. at Waterbury, 10 Dec. 1742, d. there 21 July 1813 ae. 71 (g.s.).
- ii. Marv.
- iii. Samuel, d. 10 Jan. 1760.
- iv. Asahel, d. 10 Jan. 1760.
- v. Selden, b. 5 Nov. 1757; settled in Cheshire, Conn., and had a wife who d. there 13 Apr. 1782; m. (2) at Cheshire, 1 Jan. 1783, Marv Cook, b. there 23 Oct. 1760, dau. of Aaron and Mary (Brooks) Cook. Children by second wife, b. at Cheshire:
 1. Gustavus⁶, b. 2 Nov. 1783; bp. 4 Nov. 1798.
 2. Tempv, b. 29 Oct. 1785; bp. 4 Nov. 1798.
 3. Selden, b. 20 Feb. 1787; bp. 4 Nov. 1798.
 4. Polly, b. 27 July 1788; bp. 4 Nov. 1798.
 5. Nancy, b. 27 June 1790; bp. 4 Nov. 1798.
 6. Harry, bp. 4 Nov. 1798.
 7. Cook, b. ca. Dec. 1794; d. 18 Nov. 1795 ae. 11 mos. (g.s.).
 8. (perhaps) Elizabeth, d. 9 Sept. 1797.
 9. Samuel Cook, bp. 4 Nov. 1798.
 10. William, bp. 31 Mar. 1799.
- vi. Rebecca, b. 18 Sept. 1759; m. Medad Hotchkiss, b. at New Haven, 7 Oct. 1760, d. 1828, son of Joel and Mary (Sherman) Hotchkiss.
- vii. Elihu, b. 13 Jan. 1762; m. 15 Feb. 1793, Ruth Sheppard, adopted dau. of Rev. Abram Fowler. They had children of whom we know only:
 1. Lawrence Sterne⁶, m. 11 Apr. 1827, Maria Beecher, dau. of Daniel and Clarissa (Porter) Beecher. (Perhaps another son was Frank Spencer who m. Sarah Beecher, sister of Maria.)
- viii. Ansel, b. 21 Oct. 1763; d. at Waterbury, Conn., 5 Sept. 1850; m. (1) Eunice Hine, b. 10 Apr. 1771, d. ca. 1789, dau. of Isaac and Eunice (Wilmot) Hine; m. (2) at Waterbury, 18 Feb. 1792, Loly Benham, b. 22 Jan. 1773, living 1851, dau. of Shadrack and Elizabeth (Austin) Benham. Revolutionary pensioner. Child by first wife, b. at Waterbury:
 1. Hopy Lord⁶, b. 5 Oct. 1789; d. 24 Aug. 1813. Children by second wife, b. at Waterbury:
 2. Mary Curtis, b. 20 Dec. 1792; d. 1 Oct. 1871 (g.s., Prospect); m. James Stent.
 3. James, b. 20 May 1794; d. 19 Jan. 179-.
 4. Eunice, b. 5 July 1796; d. 4 June 179-.

5. James, b. 29 Aug. 1798; d. (1) Feb. 1806.
6. Willard, b. 12 May 1801; d. at Waterbury, 2 May 1890; m. 27 June 1830, Marcia Burton, b. 31 Mar. 1808, d. 28 Feb. 1887; had 5 children. He was State Representative and Senator; Town Clerk; Judge of Probate; etc.
7. Ansel, b. 23 Jan. 1804; d. at Naugatuck, Conn., ae. 64; m. 1 Apr. 1832, Jane Atwater.
8. Shandy, b. 15 Oct. 1806; d. 21 Nov. 1832 ae. 27.
9. Henry W., b. 15 Nov. 1809; d. in Fulton Co., N.Y.; m. 23 Oct. 1836, Eliza H. Beecher.
10. James, b. 1 Jan. 1812; d. at Naugatuck, ae. about 78, unm.
11. Catharine E., b. 1818; m. William B. Lewis, of Naugatuck.
- ix. Calvin, b. 21 Apr. 1766; d. 1846; Deacon; m. 8 Nov. 1786, Esther Lewis, b. 3 May 1765, d. 7 July 1840 ae. 75 (g.s., Naugatuck), dau. of Samuel and Eunice (Beebe) Lewis. Children:
 1. Thomas⁶, b. 8 May 1788; m. Sally Baldwin.
 2. Lucien, b. 2 Dec. 1789; d. 1790.
 3. Harris, b. 21 June 1791; m. 14 June 1832, Thirza Buckingham, b. 13 July 1808; had 3 daus.
 4. Locky, b. 6 Nov. 1793; m. 13 Mar. 1825, Capt. Selden Lewis.
 5. Lucien, b. 1 Sept. 1795; Dr.; m. Harriet E. Thomas.
 6. Esther, b. 27 Sept. 1797; m. 7 Dec. 1826, Aaron Russell.
 7. Calvin, b. 8 July 1800; d. 1837; m. 11 Jan. 1829, Hannah Riggs, who d. 15 Jan. 1835 ae. 26.
 8. Gustavus, b. 20 Mar. 1808; m. Nov. 1838, Julia Beecher, dau. of Daniel and Clarissa (Porter) Beecher.
- x. Isaac, b. ca. 1770; d. at Prospect, Conn., 13 Oct. 1803 ae. 33 (g.s.); m. and had issue, of whom we know:
 1. Isaac⁷, b. ca. 1803; d. at Prospect, 27 Apr. 1850 ae. 46 (g.s.); m. at Waterbury, 15 Oct. 1826, Mrs. Amy Tyler.

(Note: One "Sally Spencer" wife of Isaac Bradley d. 29 Sept. 1857 ae. 59, by g.s., Prospect.)

164. Capt. Israel⁴ Spencer (Isaac³, Samuel², Gerard¹), born at East Haddam, Conn., 30 Jan. 1731/2, died at Hadlyme, Conn., 18 Nov. 1813, aged 81 (gravestone); married 18 Oct. 1753, Elizabeth Marsh, born at Braintree, Mass., 30 Apr. 1729, died at Hadlyme, 8 July 1801 in 74th year (gravestone), daughter of John and Submit (Woodward) Marsh.

Children, baptized at Hadlyme, the first six together on 10 June 1770:

- i. Anne⁵.

- ii. Elizabeth.
- iii. Jared Wilson, b. 24 Feb. 1760; d. 1842; m. Margaret Wiggins, b. at Southold, N.Y., 5 Sept. 1763, dau. of John L. and Mary Wiggins. Children:
 - 1. Jared⁶.
 - 2. John, a merchant in New York.
 - 3. Sylvester, a broker in New York; m. Sarah Clark.
 - 4. Mary Ann, m. Pardon Post, of Westbrook, Conn., and New York.
 - 5. Joseph, d. in Philadelphia, Pa.; m. ——— Bushnell.
 - 6. Oliver, a farmer in New York State.
 - 7. Amasa, b. 5 Aug. 1801; d. at Westbrook, 3 Aug. 1869; m. Lucy Spencer, b. 17 Jan. 1804, dau. of Joseph⁶ and Saba (Dee) Spencer (see No. 153).
- iv. Israel Selden, b. 1 Aug. 1762; d. at Port Gibson, Miss., 5 Mar. 1837; m. at Hadlyme, Conn., 6 Nov. 1783, Temperance Brockway, b. 30 June 1763, d. at Port Gibson, 14 June 1844. Children:

1. William ⁶ .	7. Temperance.
2. Austin.	8. Horatio Nelson, b. 22 Nov. 1798; see N.Y. Gen. & Biog. Record, 43:200.
3. Elizabeth.	
4. Israel.	9. Maria.
5. Samuel.	10. Emeline, d. young.
6. Austin.	11. Emeline Elma, m. Elijah Mount.
- v. Mehitable.
- vi. Charles.
- vii. Lucy Woodward, bp. 17 Nov. 177(2?); d. young.
- viii. Lucy Newton, bp. 15 Jan. 1775.

166. Joseph⁴ Spencer (Joseph³, William², Gerard¹), born at East Haddam, Conn., 6 Jan. 1712/13, died there 31 Mar. 1747 (or 1 Apr. 1747 by inventory of his estate); married at East Haddam, 24 June 1736, Rachel Hungerford. She married second, by 1754, Freedom Chamberlain.

Children, born at East Haddam:

- i. Rachel⁵, b. 28 June 1737; m. (recorded at Farmington, Conn.), 26 Feb. 1756, Matthew Hungerford.
- ii. Joseph, b. 11 May 1739; apparently d. unm. before 24 Dec. 1764. In any event, and despite the marriages of two of his sisters in Farmington, he was too young to be the "Joseph Spencer ve Second of East Haddam" who bought land in Farmington in 1753 and settled there.
- iii. Sarah, b. 11 Feb. 1740/1; m. Ezekiel Crocker.
- iv. Hannah, b. 26 Mar. 1743; bp. 1 Dec. 1745; m. before 1 Nov. 1764, Joseph Byington of Farmington.
- v. Isaac, b. 10 June 1745; bp. 1 Dec. 1745; d. at Hadlyme, Conn., 25 June 1818 ae. 73; Deacon; m. Elizabeth Hungerford, b. ca. 1753, d. 20 July 1807 ae. 54, dau.

of Green (Jr.) and Elizabeth (Stewart) Hungerford.
Children, all except the youngest bp. 20 July 1794:

1. Amasa⁶, m. 24 Oct. 1799, Rebecca Beckwith.
 2. Uriah.
 3. Sarah, d. 1814; m. 23 June 1805, John Beckwith,
b. at Waterford, Conn., 28 Nov. 1781, d. at
Norwich, Conn., 11 July 1851.
 4. Lois, m. Samuel Beckwith.
 5. Lorrain.
 6. Lucy.
 7. Mary.
 8. Betty, bp. 24 Aug. 1794.
- vi. Ichabod, b. 22 Aug. 1747; bp. 27 Sept. 1747; probably
the Ichabod Spencer of Lyme who d. 1823, adm'n on his
estate being granted 7 May 1823 to Ichabod Spencer,
but the estate was insolvent and aside from mention
of a widow surviving there is no naming of the chil-
dren in the probate papers; m. 26 Apr. 1769, Mary
Sparrow. Children, at least:
1. Joseph⁶, b. 26 May 1770.
 2. Hannah, b. 4 July 1772.
 3. Ichabod.
- Probably others.

167. Thomas⁴ Spencer (James³, William², Gerard¹),
born at East Haddam, Conn., 27 Feb. 1725/6, died at
Canandaigua, N.Y., in 1801 (will 8 May 1800, proved 29
Apr. 1801); married at East Haddam, 27 Aug. 1760, Thank-
ful Ackley, baptized 27 Apr. 1740, living 1800, daugh-
ter of Benjamin and Experience (—) Ackley.

Children:

- i. Aaron⁵, b. 1 Feb. 1761; d. at Canandaigua, N.Y., 18
Jan. 1826 (Ontario Repository, 25 Jan. 1826) ae. 65;
m. at Hartland, Conn., 10 Feb. 1789, Mindwell Phelps,
b. at Hartland, 18 June 1767, d. at Canandaigua (On-
tario Republican Times, 27 July 1860) ae. 94, dau. of
Charles Phelps. Children (births from Bible record):
1. Eunice⁶, b. 1 Sept. 1790; m. 28 June 1812, Jo-
siah Southerland.
2. Aaron, b. 22 Jan. 1792.
3. Thomas, b. 28 June 1794; d. at Granger, Ohio, .
17 Aug. 1865 ae. 71 (g.s.); m. Hannah —, .
who d. 16 May 1862 ae. 67 (g.s.).
4. Leicester, b. 11 Mar. 1796.
5. Nathaniel, b. 17 Nov. 1798; d. at Granger, Ohio,
2 Apr. 1855 ae. 56 (g.s.); m. (1) Lamanda
—, who d. 25 Sept. 1833 in 35th yr. (g.
s.); m. (2) Allie E. —, who d. 1878.
6. Sarah, b. 25 Dec. 1800; m. (Ontario Repository,
5 Sept. 1820), Horace Reid.
7. Dorothy, b. 8 Oct. 1803; m. (Ontario Reposito-
ry, 19 July 1826), Lawrence O'Hara.
8. Amasa Brainard, b. 23 Apr. 1806; d. 14 Jan.
1847 ae. 40-8-21.
9. John, b. 2 May 1808; d. 26 Sept. 1815.

- ii. Abijah, b. 24 Oct. 1762; d. at Bristol, N.Y., 26 Aug. 1823 in 61st yr. (g.s.) (also Ontario Repository, 9 Sept. 1823, which says ae. 61); m. (I) at Hartland, Conn., 5 Mar. 1782, Hannah Bill, b. ca. 1765, d. at Bristol, 13 July 1816 ae. 51 (g.s.); m. (2) at Bristol, (Ontario Repository, 5 Nov. 1816), Hannah (—) Sisson. Children by first wife:
 - 1. Dolly^s, m. Samuel Crosby, Jr.
 - 2. Thankful, m. Silvester Wheeler, of Bristol, N.Y.
 - 3. Cynthia, m. William P. Ripley; res. Indiana.
 - 4. Bela, res. Granger, Medina Co., Ohio; m. Lydia Paull, dau. of William, of Bloomfield, N.Y.
 - 5. Wealthy, b. ca. 1791; d. at Granger, Ohio, 3 July 1846 ae. 55 (g.s.); m. Seth Dye, b. ca. 1796, d. at Granger, 19 Nov. 1866 ae. 70 (g.s.).
 - 6. Camma R., b. ca. 1794; d. at Granger, Ohio, 21 Nov. 1870 ae. 76 (g.s.); m. (1) Hannah Turner, who d. 16 July 1833 ae. 36 (g.s.); m. (2) Ontario Repository, 18 May 1836, Harriet (—) Howey, who d. at Granger, 12 July 1884 ae. 78 (g.s.), widow of Samuel Howey.
 - 7. Corintha, b. ca. 1797; d. 29 Nov. 1872 ae. 75 (g.s.); m. (Ontario Repository, 2 Mar. 1819), Ephraim Gooding, of Bristol, N.Y., who d. 7 May 1867 ae. 74 (g.s.).
- iii. Lydia, b. 13 July 1764; m. David Hunt.
- iv. Temperance, m. Benjamin Scovill.
- v. Nathan, b. ca. 1769; d. on Long Island (Western Repository, 3 May 1808) ae. 39; m. Lydia Doolittle, b. at Torrington, Conn., 23 July 1770, living 1810 (Census, Canandaigua), dau. of David and Taphath (Doolittle) Doolittle. Children:
 - 1. Uriel^s, b. at Bristol, N.Y., 30 Apr. 1796; d. at Holloway, Mich., 2 June 1853; m. at Hopewell, N.Y., 3 July 1816, Sarah Wyckoff, b. at Hopewell, 15 Oct. 1794, d. at Delta, Ohio, 15 Jan. 1838, dau. of William and Isabella (Counenhoven) Wyckoff.
 - 2. David Doolittle, b. ca. 1799; d. at Ithaca, N.Y., 18 Feb. 1855; m. Melissa —, who d. 1885 ae. 81.
 - 3. A daughter, m. — Engle.
 - 4. Anson, b. ca. Aug. 1808; d. at Ithaca, N.Y., 26 July 1876; m. Sarah Atwood, b. ca. 1808, d. 16 Mar. 1901 ae. 93.
- vi. Thomas, history not ascertained.

Note: For much of the record of the family of No. 158 we are under special obligation to Mrs. William C. Clark of Elkins Park, Philadelphia, Pa.; for the southern descendants of No. 159, to Miss Mary Caroline Rogers of Bennettsville, S.C.; and for the family of No. 167 to the research of Mrs. Hoyt E. Whelan of Tecumseh, Michigan.

(To be Continued)

BETHIAH (OSBORN)(BEEBE) PECK'S ACCOUNT

Communicated by W. Herbert Wood, F.A.S.G., New Haven, Conn.

Northfield Feb. 13th 1803

I have a desire to leave some memorials of the goodness and loving kindness of the Lord towards me, and raise a few Ebenezers to the praise and glory of his great name.....

I was born at Easthampton on Long Island in the year 1722 October 17th of very pious parents, Benjamin Osborn and Elizabeth his wife who descended from very religious and pious parents. My father's were both born at New Haven in Connecticut; his Grandfather came from Old England his name was Benjamin Osborn & so was his father's His mother before their marriage was Abigail Talmage who was eminent for piety My Mother was born at Cambridge near Boston. Her Father's name was Joseph Hicks. he was of a very generous and amiable spirit and of distinguished and fervent piety. His parents came from England in a ship with the famous and pious M^r Thomas Shepard from Cambridge in England and settled at Cambridge in New England namely Zacariah Hicks and Elizabeth. Her maiden name was Elizabeth Searls

My Grandmother Hicks was Bethiah Green before she was married and her parents came from England in the forementioned ship whose names were Edward Green and Ruth with her parents whose family name was Mitchian.

...In the seventeenth year of my age with the entire approbation of my parents, [I] was married to Ebenezer Beebe of this town, to our mutual satisfaction, July 12th 1739.

...The removal of a kind and tender husband by death in 1744 April 1st in the twenty second year of my age.

...For I was married again in the twenty seventh year of my age January 29th 1749 to Cornelius Peck of this town....He died October 31st 1801 in the eighty ninth year of his age.

The above extracts are from an account written by Mrs. Peck, of Northfield in Litchfield, Conn., when over eighty years old, and now in possession of the Litchfield Historical Society. She died 27 Oct. 1816, aged 94 (gravestone in Northfield).

Her parents, Benjamin Osborn, Jr., and Elizabeth Hicks, were married at East Hampton, 1 Nov. 1716. The important genealogical discovery is that Benjamin Osborn, Sr., bapt. at New Haven 3 Jan. 1646/7, married Abigail Talmadge, bapt. at New Haven 13 May 1649, daughter of Robert and Sarah (Nash) Talmadge. She died at East Hampton 7 May 1718 aged about 69 (church record), which agrees.

Mrs. Peck was a bit confused when she got back of her grandparents. Bethiah (Green) Hicks was daughter of John (not Edward) Green, by his wife Ruth, who was daughter of Edward Mitchelson or Mitchenson. Elizabeth wife of Zechariah Hicks was born Sill.

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